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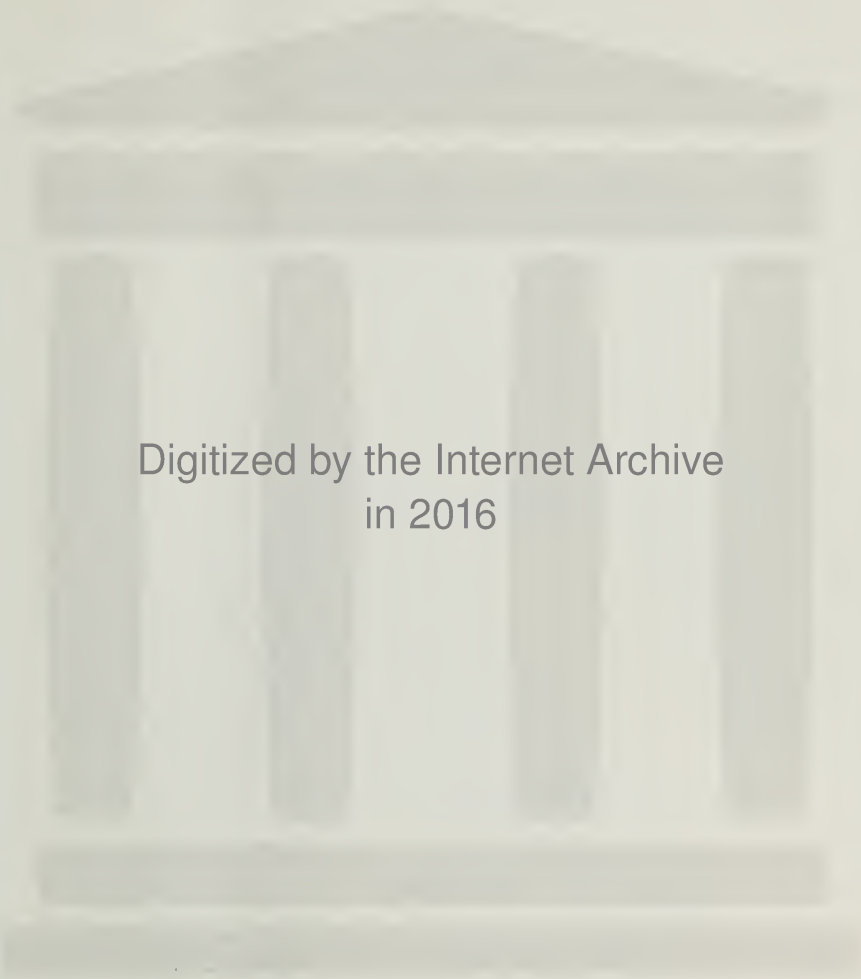
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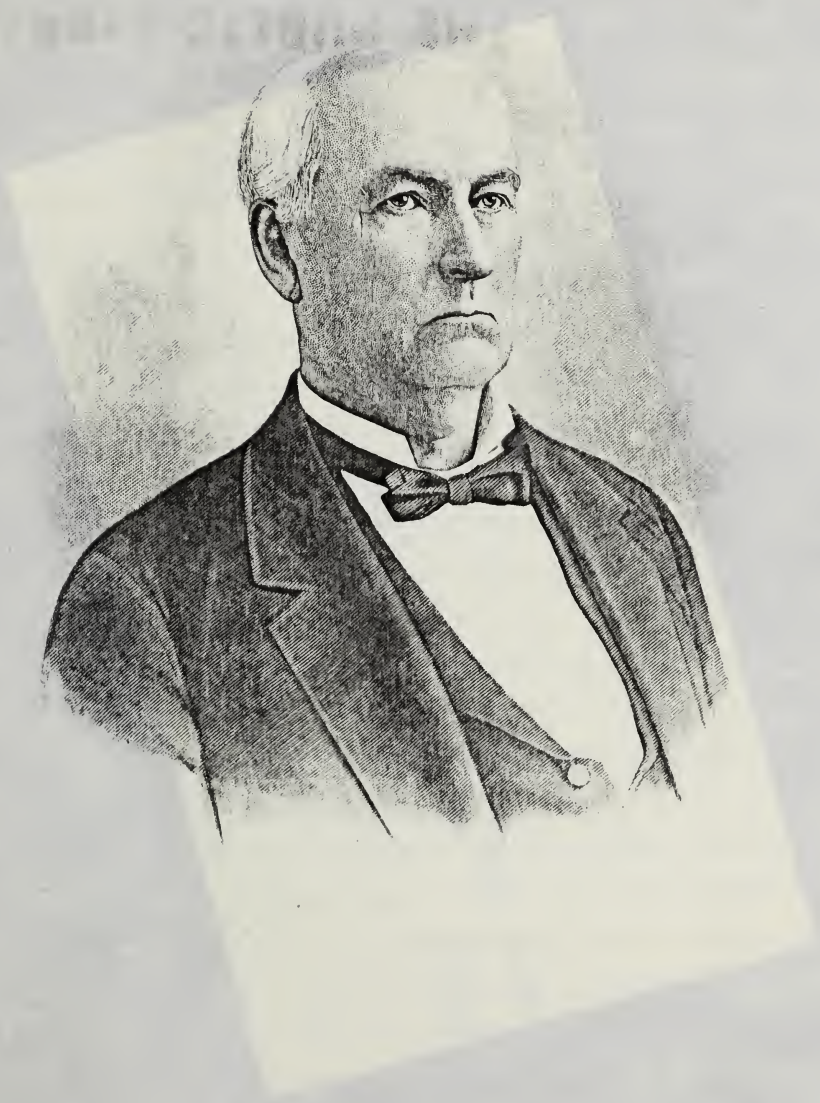

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PREFACE.

The greatest of English historians, Macaulay, and one of America's ablest and most brilliant writers of the Nineteenth Century have said: "The history of a country is best told in a record of the lives of its people." In conformity with this idea, the Memorial Record of Western Kentucky has been prepared. History, so called, is but a narrative of what has been accomplished by people in the aggregate, and takes little note of the individual. Yet, in its broadest and truest sense, history also comprises the annals of the personal lives of those who bore the heat and burden of the day, and made the greatest sacrifices, portraying the spirit which actuated them, and holding up their efforts as an example to those who come afterward.

In recent years, genealogical and family histories have found their proper recognition, and are in constant and general demand. They are sought for in the great libraries, by book and magazine writers and lecturers, and investigators from foreign lands as well as from all portions of our own country, and are in daily use in all newspaper offices. An honorable ancestry is a noble heritage, and the story of its achievements is a sacred trust committed to its descendants, upon whom devolves the perpetuation of that record. To place that record in permanent form this work is prepared, and its pages have been open to those whose lives have been worthy, and much space has been devoted to genealogy and family history.

In every community there should be published a record of the pioneers who laid the foundations of civilization so broad and deep, of the old residents who upon these foundations builded so wisely and well, and of their successors, who have enlarged, beautified and enjoyed the munificent results; for thus is afforded an effective method of keeping green the memory of those to whom honor is due for their useful activities and worthy lives. In these volumes will be found personal sketches of many whose lives are worthy of imitation of generations yet to come. They tell of many who out of limited advantages and ordinary environments have become great men and women, and whose influence extends throughout the land. They tell of men who have risen from the lower walks of life to prominence in business, professional, social, political and official life. They tell of those in every walk of life who have striven to succeed, and record how success has usually crowned their efforts. They also tell of many who, not seeking the applause of the world, have pursued "the even tenor of their way," content to have it said of them, as Christ said of the women performing a deed of mercy—"they have done what they could." They, moreover, tell of many who, in the pride and strength of young manhood, left the plow and the anvil, the lawyer's office and the counting room, left every trade and profession, and at their country's call went forth valiantly "to do or die" for the land which gave them birth and to which, next to their God, their highest homage was due.

The western portion of the great commonwealth of Kentucky has produced many grand men and women, whose careers have shed lustre not only on the history of the community in which they lived, but also on that of their state and of the nation. Not much biography of this section of Kentucky has been recorded, and this fact, together with the passing

into oblivion of much biographical information concerning those who have been identified with the settlement, growth and rapid development of Western Kentucky, has prompted the compilation and publication of this Memorial Record. In the preparation of these volumes the data have been gained largely by means of interviews with prominent people, who have, by their force of character, brought their counties to a rank, in many respects, second to none among those comprising the great commonwealth of which they are so justly proud; and from their own lips we have gained the story of their life struggles.

Generations yet unborn will greatly appreciate these volumes and preserve them as sacred treasures, and precious souvenirs of those who gave the best years of their lives in the interest of progress and civilization. In the compilation of this Memorial Record great care has been taken, and every opportunity possible given those who are represented to insure correctness in what has been written, and the publishers are giving to their patrons a work of few errors of consequence. The sketches of many will be missed in this work. For this the publishers are not to blame. Not having a proper conception of the work, some refused to give information necessary to compile a biography, while others were indifferent. Occasionally some member of the family would oppose the enterprise, and on account of such opposition the support of the interested one would be withheld. In some instances men could never be found, though repeated calls were made at their residences or places of business. To those who have given co-operation in the preparation of this work and are our patrons, we make grateful acknowledgment.

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COLONEL LORENZO D. HUSBANDS.

Colonel Lorenzo D. Husbands, one of the prominent citizens and leading representatives of the bar of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in Christian county, Kentucky, December 18, 1823, and is a son of Harmon Husbands and a grandson of Robert Husbands. Harmon Husbands was born in Rowan county, North Carolina, in August, 1776, and settled in Christian county, Kentucky, in 1805, becoming a pioneer farmer and surveyor of that locality. In 1826 he removed to Caldwell county, Kentucky, and three years later to Crittenden county, and finally in 1845 to Ballard county, Kentucky, where he died in 1856, aged eighty years.

The Husbands family is of English descent, two brothers, William and John, having, about 1700, emigrated from England to America. One possessed an aristocratic turn of mind and the other was of a plebeian character, and from the latter our subject's branch of the family descends. These brothers first settled in Pennsylvania and later in North Carolina at the forks of the Adkins river. A great-uncle of our

subject later became a conspicuous character during the Revolutionary period and figured in the Mecklenburg revolution, and he and four others were sentenced to death, but he escaped to Western Pennsylvania; there fought in battles with the Indians and later returned to North Carolina.

Harmon Husbands married Sarah Renshaw, also a native of North Carolina, and a daughter of a farmer and pioneer of Port Royal, Tennessee, who died in the latter state. She lived to be eighty years old and bore her husband nine children, five daughters and four sons, all of whom are deceased except Mrs. Francis O. Lovelace, of Texas, and Colonel Lorenzo D. Husbands.

Colonel Husbands was reared on the farm, and his education was limited to a few months spent each year in attendance on the local schools of his father's neighborhood, but as he has always been a student he has been able to supplement the meager education he then received, and is now a well-read and thoroughly informed man upon current events of a political, literary and scientific nature. He began reading law in 1847 with James B. Husbands, a brother, then located in Paducah, and was admitted to the bar in 1849. Through his ability Mr. Husbands soon rose in his profession, and has long been a leader at the bar. In 1859 he was elected to the legislature, and while there cast his vote against "armed neutrality." Mr. Husbands took no active part in the Civil war, and bears his title of colonel only as an endearing title bestowed upon him by his friends. His first political office was that of county attorney, to which he was elected in 1851, and served until 1855, when he was elected commonwealth attorney. After serving the legislature he never again sought office until 1897, when he was elected judge of the circuit court for the Second judicial district, and he is the

present incumbent of that office. Throughout his long and useful life he has been a Democrat.

Judge Husbands was married first in 1851 to Hannah Singleton. She was born in Hines county, Mississippi, in 1834, and died in 1856, leaving one son, Gip. In 1859 Judge Husbands married Mrs. Mary E. Bullock, *nee* Cook, a daughter of John W. Cook, of Christian county, Kentucky; her birth occurred in Princeton, Kentucky, and her education was principally obtained in Bethel Female College, Hopkinsville. Three children were born of this marriage, viz., Cook, Dow and Sallie, all of whom have been given excellent educational advantages.

WILLIAM LEWIS CRUMBAUGH.

William Lewis Crumbaugh, county judge of Lyon county, Kentucky, is a native of this state, and belongs to a family several generations of which have lived and died in Kentucky. The Crumbaughs, as the name suggests, are of German origin. Conrad Crumbaugh, Judge Crumbaugh's grandfather, was born in Maryland, of German parentage, and when a young man came with his family to Kentucky, where he passed the rest of his life. It was not until after his location here that he learned the English language. His son Eli, the Judge's father, at the time of their removal to Kentucky was a babe six months old. That was in October, 1806. Eli Crumbaugh, when he grew up, learned the potter's trade and worked at it for some years. He was engaged in farming, however, at the time of his death, which occurred when he was forty-nine years of age. Judge Crumbaugh's mother was before marriage Miss Elizabeth Townsend. Her father was of English and Scotch origin, and came from South Carolina to Kentucky about the

year 1800, settling in Logan county, where she was born. Her age at death was the same as her husband's, forty-nine years. They were the parents of three children that reached adult years, our subject being the eldest of this number.

William Lewis Crumbaugh was born in Logan county, Kentucky, April 25, 1835, and when he was four years old was brought by his parents to what is now Lyon county, then Caldwell county. Here he was reared on a farm. He received his education in the common schools of Eddyville and the academy at Bethlehem, and on reaching manhood engaged in farming and school teaching and buying and shipping tobacco. His activity and interest in public affairs and his popularity soon gained for him public office. He served as magistrate and sheriff two terms, was county surveyor one term, and is now serving his fourth term as county judge, having been the recipient of these official honors at the hands of the Democratic party, of which he has all his life been a stanch supporter.

Judge Crumbaugh was married August 3, 1856, to Miss Virginia Lander, a daughter of John S. Lander, of Christian county, Kentucky, where she was born. They have five children living, namely: Mary, widow of the late Judge Caswell Bennett; Cleo, wife of A. C. Glass, of Crittenden county; Ruth, wife of J. T. Cooney, of New Orleans; John, at home; Sarah, wife of Joseph B. Smith, of Lyon county; and two deceased, Nellie, who died in 1903, and Nannie, who was the wife of William Mills, died in 1888. The Judge is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, and is identified with the Masonic order, his membership being with Joppa Lodge and Lyon Chapter.

JOSEPH ESTLE GRIFFIN.

The subject of this sketch is entitled to be called the pioneer photographer of western Kentucky, he having spent no less than forty years in business here. His present location is at Princeton, where he has been since 1884.

Joseph Estle Griffin was born in Lincoln county, Tennessee, September 4, 1843, third son in the family of ten children of Joseph and Rebecca (Jewell) Griffin, the former a native of South Carolina and the latter of North Carolina. Joseph Griffin settled in Tennessee when a young man, and in that state spent the rest of his life as a stock dealer, carrying on the business at different places. He died at the age of fifty-four years. His widow lived to be seventy years of age.

At the early age of thirteen years J. E. Griffin started out to make his own way in the world, and began by learning the boot and shoe trade, at which he worked until he was twenty. The shoe business, however, was not just to his liking, and he turned his attention to photography. He learned the business at Roaring Springs, Kentucky, where he had located in 1862, and he afterward worked at his trade in Madisonville, Hopkinsville, Cadiz, Mayfield and other places in Kentucky, and in 1884 located in Princeton, where he has since remained and where he has established a good business, under the firm name of Griffin & Watkins.

Mr. Griffin married, in 1897, Miss Lucy Watkins, his partner, who has since been his partner in two senses of the word. The firm name continues the same. Mrs. Griffin is an artist of much talent, and that department of the work which pertains to enlarging and painting is entirely in her charge. There is perhaps no business which has made

greater strides along the lines of advancement than that of photography. Mr. Griffin has kept pace with the advancement made. In 1903 he erected a handsome and modern building in Princeton, and now the firm occupies one of the best equipped photographic galleries in Kentucky.

JOHN E. WILLIAMSON.

John E. Williamson, of Paducah, was born near Louisville, Jefferson county, Kentucky, in 1830, and was a son of John P. and Jane Williamson. Mr. Williamson was given only a limited education, and in early life learned the trade of stone-cutter. In 1857 he came to Paducah and here opened a shop, and from that date he has been in the marble business in this city, save during the period of the Civil war, in which he espoused the cause of the Union, and in Paducah organized a company for the Union army. He was chosen captain of the company, which was first connected with the Sixteenth Kentucky Cavalry, but was later consolidated with the Twelfth Cavalry, the fortunes of which he shared until mustered out of the service at the close of the war.

His grandfather, Elliott Williamson, was an emigrant to America in 1765; served in the colonial army in the war of the American Revolution and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown; had a family of five sons of whom John P., the father of our subject, was a soldier in the war of 1812, participating in the closing scenes at New Orleans, and died at Paducah in 1871, in his eighty-second year. He, too, had five sons, of whom John E., our subject, prompted by a spirit of patriotism and loyalty to the Union, participated in struggle between the states in the sixties.

At the close of the war Mr. Williamson returned to his home and

family in Paducah and resumed the civil duties of life. He has been a successful business man, and is a highly respected citizen. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was married in 1856, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Miss Elizabeth Brownfield, and has reared a family of worthy sons and daughters.

CHARLES MAYFIELD MEACHAM.

Prominent among journalists, newspaper editors and publishers of Kentucky, is Charles Mayfield Meacham. He was born in Gracey, Kentucky, June 14, 1858. He is descended from an old and prominent Kentucky family. The first ancestor of the Meacham family of whom there is any reliable information, was William Meacham, who lived in Chatham county, North Carolina, prior to the Revolutionary war. It is uncertain whether the name is of Irish or English origin, but more probably the latter. The progenitor of the family in America came to this continent at a very early date.

William Meacham was born about 1720, and was an old man when American independence was declared. His wife was named Elizabeth, called Betsy, and they reared a large family of children, among whom there were William, Joseph, James, John, Jesse and George. Of these William, Joseph, James, John and George went west from North Carolina, and their descendants are both numerous and well scattered throughout the states. Joseph and William married sisters, whose name was West. Joseph and John about 1792 came to Kentucky and settled in Christian county, but later John removed to Montgomery county, Tennessee.

Joseph was about forty or forty-five years old when he settled in Kentucky. His eldest son, Edmund, who came with him, had married Miss Richardson. Joseph was probably born about 1750. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. He reared a large family, eight sons and one daughter, namely, Edmund, Willis, Jeremiah, Andrew, Joseph, West and Wyatt (twins), Jonathan and Sinah. Edmund was twice married. His second wife was a Calvin. He has many descendants in Christian county, Kentucky. Willis was a Baptist preacher. Jeremiah was married three times and had thirteen children. Andrew was also a Baptist preacher but years ago removed to Illinois. Joseph was born in Christian county, Kentucky, in 1794. He moved to Illinois and died there about 1845. West died in childhood. Jonathan lived to be a young man and married, but died without issue. Sinah, the daughter, married Mr. Spurlin, but died without issue.

Wyatt Meacham, son of Joseph and Molly (West) Meacham, was a twin brother of West Meacham. He was born in Christian county, Kentucky, in 1798. In 1817 he married Ellen Robinson, a daughter of Abner Robinson, and granddaughter of James Robinson, a soldier in the Revolutionary war. To Wyatt and Ellen Meacham were born three children, two sons and one daughter. He died in 1876 and she in 1878. Their descendants all reside in Christian county, Kentucky.

Their oldest son, Rev. Abner Winchester Meacham, was born in this county, February 13, 1818, and died at his home in Gracey, Kentucky, December 11, 1902. He was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1838, and in 1898, after sixty years spent in the ministry, he retired from active work. He married Marian Lander in 1855 and settled at Gracey, Kentucky. He reared six children, namely: Robert T., born in 1856 and died in 1883; Charles Mayfield Meacham, the immediate

subject of this sketch; Mollie H., who married T. E. Bartley; James Parrish Meacham; Victoria, who married T. J. Baynham; and Lander Meacham.

Charles M. Meacham was educated in the schools of Hopkinsville, receiving a fair high school education. He studied law, and in 1879 was admitted to the bar, but about that time he became involved in newspaper work, and soon became owner and publisher of the *Kentuckian,* of Hopkinsville. He gave up the practice of law after a brief time that he might give full time to newspaper work. Since 1883 he has published and edited the *Kentuckian* as a semi-weekly paper. As a journalist he has gained an enviable reputation but no more so than as an "after-dinner speaker." He is enjoyed both as a writer and speaker because of his wit and humor. In 1893 Mr. Meacham was president of the Kentucky State Newspaper Association, and for some eight or nine years has been the Kentucky national committeeman of the National Editorial Association.

He has long been prominent in the Democratic party, but has held none other than minor offices. He is a Master Mason, a Knight of Pythias and a member of the Baptist church. In 1883 Mr. Meacham married Miss Lizzie E. Tandy, and they have three sons, Rodman Y., Charles M., Jr., and Ralph Tandy Meacham.

ISAAC BURNETT.

Isaac Burnett, deceased, was one of the prominent attorneys of western Kentucky. A brief sketch of his life and ancestry is as follows:

Isaac Burnett was born in Trigg county, Kentucky, January 13,

1838, and died in Hopkinsville, Christian county, same state, December 21, 1889. His father, Dr. Isaac Burnett, was a native of Virginia, born in Essex county; was married in that state to Martha Garnett, daughter of General Garnett, of the well known Garnett family of Virginia; and after his marriage came to Kentucky and settled in Christian county where he established an extensive practice and became a prominent factor in the pioneer settlement. He and his wife had a family of six children, who grew up to occupy honored and useful positions in life: Henry C., who was honored by his constituents with a membership in the senate of the Confederacy; Robert, a lawyer; James, a soldier in the Confederate army, was killed in battle at Fort Donelson; Isaac, whose name introduces this sketch; Lucretia, widow of Judge George Cook; and Jennie, wife of Dr. James Allison, of Indiana.

In his native state Isaac Burnett was reared and educated. He chose the law for his profession, pursued a course of study in the law department of Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tennessee, graduated in due time and then entered upon the practice of his profession, with office at Hopkinsville. He soon gained high standing in the legal profession, which he maintained up to the time of his death.

He married, July 3, 1866, Miss Virginia Ritchie Poindexter, a native of Christian county, and a daughter of Major John Poindexter. John Poindexter was a Virginian, born in 1793, of French Huguenot descent; earned his title of major in the war of 1812; in 1831 moved west to Kentucky and settled in Christian county, where he became the owner of a large tobacco plantation, fifteen hundred acres in extent, and he owned slaves to the number of three hundred. Politically he was a Democrat, in all public matters he took an active interest, and few men in his locality were better known or more highly esteemed

than he. He died at the ripe old age of eighty-four years. His wife was before marriage Miss Elizabeth Graves, and she, too, was a native of Virginia. They were the parents of six daughters and five sons, Mrs. Burnett being the youngest of the family and the only one now living. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Burnett are two, a son and daughter, John P., engaged in the manufacture of shoes at Columbus, Ohio, and Ritchie, wife of Julian B. Adoue, of Louisville, Kentucky.

JEFFERSON DAVIS PRYOR, M. D.

Jefferson Davis Pryor, M. D., of Mayfield, was born in Graves county, Kentucky, July 5, 1861, and is a son of James Calvin and Emma (Goodwin) Pryor. James Calvin Pryor was born in Logan county, Kentucky, February 3, 1820; became an early settler of Graves county, and to farming devoted his active years. His father was James Pryor, also a native of Logan county, Kentucky, and was a son of Jonathan Pryor, who settled at Pryorsburg, Graves county, Kentucky. He was of Irish lineage and by occupation a farmer. His son James settled about six miles east of Mayfield on Panther Creek. He was a farmer. He married a Miss Phelps. The Pryors are numerous in Graves county.

The mother of Dr. Pryor was born in Henry county, Tennessee, March 9, 1826, and removed with her father, Jesse Goodwin, to Kentucky when she was a girl. Her mother bore the maiden name of Sukie Butler.

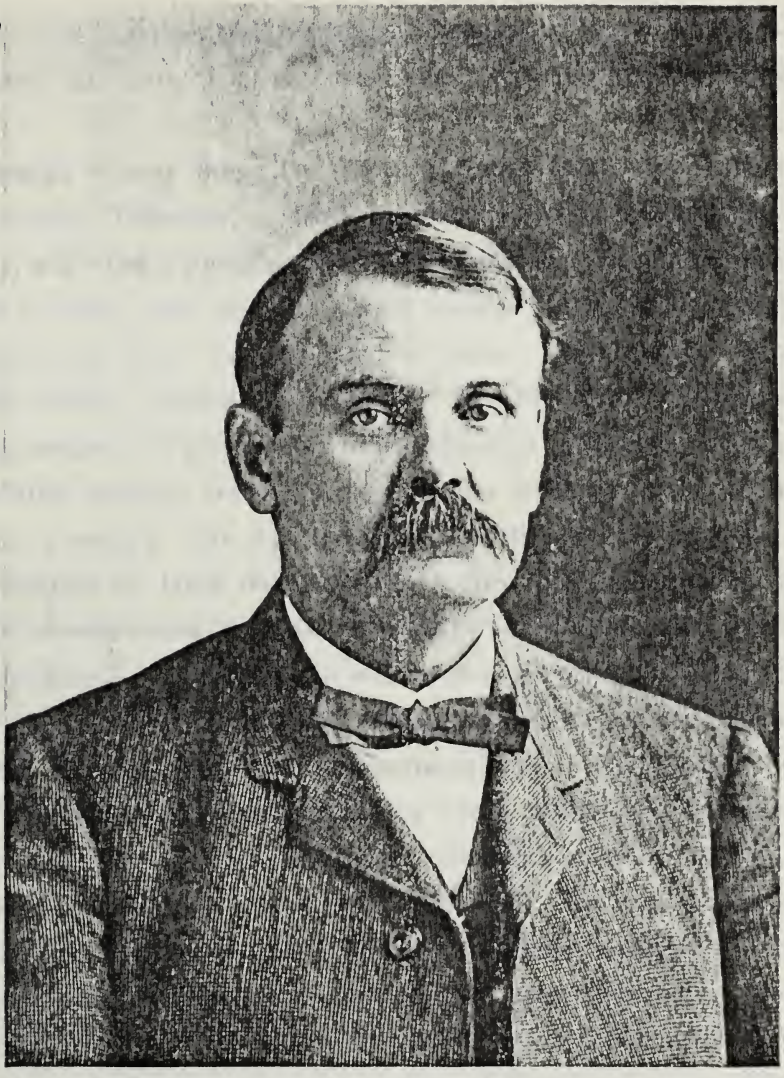
Dr. Pryor was reared on the farm. In the Graves county schools and Clinton College he received a fair literary education, and then took up the study of medicine. In 1890, he graduated in medicine from the

University of Louisville, and since his graduation he has practiced his profession in Mayfield. He has met with pleasing professional success. He is a member of the Graves County Medical Society, of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society and of the Kentucky State Medical Association. Politically he is a Democrat, and fraternally a Mason, Knight of Pythias and an Odd Fellow. He is also a member of the Missionary Baptist church. He was married June 22, 1895, to Miss Annie Watts, daughter of Mr. N. B. Watts, of Mayfield.

JUDGE RICHARD J. BUGG.

At the bar and on the bench Judge Richard Jackson Bugg has gained for himself a reputation as a most able lawyer, of comprehensive understanding of the principles of jurisprudence. Appointed by the governor to fill out an unexpired term on the circuit bench, he was nominated at the next regular primary election of his party in May, 1903, and was elected at the November election following, and is therefore the present incumbent in the office, which stands as the conservator of human rights and liberties, of life and happiness.

Judge Bugg, now a resident of Bardwell, was born in Blandville, Ballard county, Kentucky, July 16, 1862, and is descended from one of the old families of Virginia. His great-grandfather, Zachariah Bugg, was a native of Mecklenburg county, Virginia, whence he removed to Tennessee, settling near Gallatin, where he resided through a long period. He died at an advanced age, and thus passed away one of the prominent and influential residents of that region. His son, Richard Bugg, the grandfather of the judge, was born in Sumner county, Tennessee, and on leaving his native state took up his abode in Trigg county,



R. J. Bugg

Kentucky. He married Miss Prudence Chappell, a native of Christian county, this state, and for some years they resided in Trigg county.

Zachariah Wesley Bugg, the father of Judge Bugg, was born in Sumner county, Tennessee, in 1828, but was reared in Trigg county, Kentucky, and when a young man left that county with his mother, who was then a widow, and went to Ballard county. In the latter county his mother died, when well advanced in years. Her children were Zachariah Wesley, Richard D., James W., Ann and Mary. Zachariah W. Bugg acquired the greater part of his education in Gallatin, Tennessee, and after studying law for some time was admitted to the bar at Blandville, Kentucky. He then located for practice in that place, continuing to make his home there until the county seat was removed to Wickliffe, at which time he became a resident of the latter city, spending his remaining days there. He was an able lawyer, and during his active connection with the bar was retained as counsel for the defense or plaintiff in almost every case of importance tried in the courts of his district. He won considerable renown by reason of the capable manner in which he handled the legal business entrusted to him, and in all walks of life he was uniformly respected and admired. He was an ardent Democrat, and both he and his wife were consistent members of the Christian Church. He served for one term as county attorney of Ballard county, but other than that never held or desired public office. He married Mary A. Jackson, who was a native of Woodford county, Kentucky, and she died in 1902, at the age of sixty-eight years. To them were born three children who reached mature years, namely: Mrs. Lucy B. Coffee, a widow, residing in Wickliffe; Richard J., and Zachariah W., a druggist of Wickliffe.

In the schools of Blandville and in the Kentucky University at Lexington, Richard J. Bugg acquired his literary education, and then, determining to follow in the professional footsteeps of his father, he became a student in the law department of the University of Louisville, where he was prepared for practice, mastering a thorough course of study. In 1885 he was admitted to the bar, and at Bardwell entered upon the practice of the law, where he soon won a large clientage, rising to prominence in his profession. As a lawyer he has had the success that might naturally be looked for where close application and immense power for work are united to mental strength and quickness, an extraordinary memory and an unappeasable appetite for the activities of the profession. His fidelity to his clients' interests was proverbial, yet he never forgot that he owed a higher allegiance to the majesty of the law. His diligence and energy in the preparation of his cases, as well as the earnestness, tenacity and courage with which he defended the right as he understood it, challenged the highest admiration of his associates, and thus it was that he gained a reputation that made him the natural selection when it became necessary for the governor to appoint some one to fill out the unexpired term of the circuit judge of the First judicial district. At the next regular election he became the regular nominee of the Democratic party, and was elected to the position which he is now so capably filling.

In 1888 Judge Bugg was united in marriage to Miss Catherine Coil, and their union has been blessed with three children: Mary, Alice and Virginia. The judge and his wife are members of the Christian Church, and he is a Master Mason and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. On the bench his services have met the most sanguine hopes of his many friends, and have given excellent satisfac-

tion to the bar and general public. His decisions indicate strong mentality, careful analysis, a thorough knowledge of the law and an unbiased judgment. A judge on the bench fails more frequently, perhaps, from a deficiency in that broad-mindedness which comprehends the details of a situation quickly and that insures a complete self-control under even the most exasperating conditions, than from any other cause; and the judge who makes a success in the discharge of his multitudinous delicate duties is a man of well-rounded character, finely balanced mind and of marked intellectual attainments. That Judge Bugg is regarded as such a jurist is a uniformly accepted fact.

JUDGE JOSEPH I. LANDES.

Judge Joseph I. Landes, a prominent attorney of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, was born in the same town, January 3, 1836, and is the descendant of an honorable family on both the paternal and maternal sides. The Landes family is of German descent and originated in the state of Pennsylvania, whence they emigrated to the valley of Virginia, and it was here that Daniel Landes, the grandfather of Judge Landes, was born, as was also Daniel's son, Isaac. Daniel moved from Botetourt county, Virginia, in 1805, to Kentucky, where Isaac Landes was reared and educated. He began his career as a clerk in Greenville, Kentucky. He came to Hopkinsville about 1820, and was in the mercantile business in that town up to 1857, when he engaged in capitalistic enterprises for a time, but finally returned to merchandising, and death met him while he was still in that occupation, in 1870. For many years he was accounted one of the leading business men of that part of the country. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife was

Susanna Kelly, a native of Bourbon county, Kentucky, where she was born in 1803, but was reared in Christian county, where she was brought as an infant. Her death occurred in 1873. Her father was Joseph Kelly, of Irish stock, and was born in Maryland, September 29, 1764. He married, in Fairfax county, Virginia, Elizabeth Summers, who was a native of that county and four years his junior; she was of Scotch descent. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly came to Bourbon county, Kentucky, later to Christian county, where he died in 1859 and she in 1857. Isaac Landes and wife had five children: Susanna, born in 1830, died in 1840; Catharine E., born June 8, 1828, is the widow of James Rutherford and lives in Hopkinsville; Benjamin D., born in 1834, is a farmer of Logan county, Kentucky; Joseph I. is the next; and Samuel J., born in 1843, lives in Greenville, Kentucky.

Joseph I. Landes was reared in Hopkinsville, and was educated in the high schools of the state and in the University of Virginia. He early took up the study of law with one of the leading lawyers of Kentucky and completed his course in the law school of the University of Virginia, being licensed to practice in 1858. He was admitted to the bar and began his practice in Hopkinsville in 1859, and this has been the scene of his efforts to the present time. He was County Attorney from 1862 to 1866; Judge of Hopkinsville City Court from 1870 to 1874; and in 1893 was elected to the Kentucky Senate from the sixth senatorial district, and served two terms, resigning his place as legislator to accept the appointment of Judge of the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, which had been tendered him by Governor Bradley because of the vacancy occasioned by the death of John R. Grace. Judge Landes filled this position until his successor was elected by the people in 1896, since which time he has been steadily engaged in the regular

practice of his profession. At the present time he holds the position of Referee in Bankruptcy for the District Court of the United States, for the Western District of Kentucky, comprising the counties of Christian, Caldwell, Crittenden, Hopkins, Lyon, Trigg and Webster.

Judge Landes has been a member of the Presbyterian church since boyhood, and has been superintendent of the Sunday-school since 1865, and Ruling Elder of the First Presbyterian Church since 1867, and has been active in all the affairs of religious work. He is a Mason and has been Master of his Lodge, and was High Priest of his Chapter. He was married April 27, 1865, in Columbus, Ohio, to Mary, the eldest daughter of Dr. Frances Carter, of that city. She was born in Illinois, but was reared and educated at Columbus. There are no children of this union.

JUDGE JAMES BREATHITT.

Judge James Breathitt, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, has for years been a prominent factor in public affairs in his county and state. He was born in the town in which he lives, September 4, 1852, the fourth son of John W. and Catherine (Webber) Breathitt, and received his early education here. Choosing the law for a profession, he pursued a course in the law department of Cumberland University, at Lebanon, Tennessee, after which he opened an office and commenced practice in Hopkinsville. In 1878 he was elected city attorney, for a term of two years; in 1881 was elected a representative to the Kentucky state legislature, from Christian county, and again in 1885 was elected to this office. At the close of his second term as representative he was elected judge of the circuit court. As showing his great popularity in the district, we state that Judge Breathitt is a Republican, and was elected

judge by a Republican majority of four hundred and seventy-nine votes in a district that has a Democratic majority of three thousand. He served one term of six years, giving evidence of excellent ability as a judge. Since his retirement from the judgeship, he has devoted his time to the practice of law. For three years Judge Breathitt had for partner John W. Payne, and for four years he was in partnership with Henry J. Stites, son of Hon. John Stites, during which time he was connected with many noted cases. For six years Judge Breathitt has been attorney for the Illinois Central Railroad Company. Also he is attorney for the Bank of Hopkinsville. His interest in politics dates back for more than a quarter of a century, and his high standing both as a lawyer and a leader in Republican politics has been fairly won. His party again chose him, in 1903, as its candidate for judge of the circuit court, but the election had not occurred at the time of the writing hereof.

Judge Breathitt was married, in 1889, to Lydia Thompson, daughter of George V. and Lydia (Ellis) Thompson, and a native of Christian county, Kentucky. They are the parents of four sons and three daughters, namely: James, Jr., John W., Elizabeth, Edward, Louise, Julia A. and Robert E. Both the Judge and Mrs. Breathitt are identified with the Methodist Episcopal church, and he holds membership in the Knights of Pythias order and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

ALEXANDER CAMPBELL.

Alexander Campbell, city tax collector of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, has been a resident of this place for more than three decades and is well known here. Mr. Campbell was born in Mercer county, Kentucky,

April 15, 1834, son of James and Catherine (Bradshaw) Campbell. James Campbell was a native of Virginia, born in 1775; came from his native state to Kentucky in 1800 and took up his abode in Mercer county, where he worked at his trade, that of carpenter, and also engaged in farming. He was a devoted member of the Baptist church, in which for more than half a century he filled the office of deacon. By his first wife, who was a Miss Lewis and a native of Kentucky, he had two children, and by his second wife, who was Catherine Bradshaw, a native of Virginia, he had five sons and six daughters. He died in 1863, at an advanced age, and after his death the home farm went into the hands of his son Benjamin.

Alexander at the age of fifteen left home and went to Independence, Missouri, where he was living at the time the war of the rebellion came on. He enlisted in the First Missouri Volunteer Cavalry, was made captain of his company, and shared its fortunes until 1865. He was in the battles of Lexington and Pea Ridge. The most of his soldier life, however, was spent in scouting expeditions. Returning to Kentucky at the close of the war, Mr. Campbell located in Jessamine county, but went back to Missouri in 1869 and settled in Lafayette county. In 1871 he again returned to Kentucky, this time to settle in Christian county, and here he has since remained. In 1855 Mr. Campbell married Miss Ardenia Hockensmith, daughter of Dr. Newton Hockensmith, of Independence, Missouri. She died in the fall of 1866, leaving two children, namely: Lee W., now living in Kansas City, Missouri, and James, who died aged six years.

Mr. Campbell was married in Jessamine county, Kentucky, in 1867, to Miss Sally Hill, a native of Kentucky, who died four years later, leaving him with a little son and daughter, Katy, who died aged four

years, and Thomas C., who now lives in Chillicothe, Missouri. In 1871 Mr. Campbell wedded Miss Elizabeth Graeme McCarroll, also a native of Kentucky, she being a daughter of Dr. John McCarroll, a prominent physician of Hopkinsville, now deceased. And the fruits of this marriage are two children, Alexander and Graeme.

Mr. Campbell affiliates with the Democratic party and is a worthy member of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Campbell is city tax collector and has held many other offices, including that of magistrate and commissioner of the Western Kentucky Asylum for the Insane.

HON. JESSE C. GILBERT.

Hon. Jesse C. Gilbert, deceased, was born in Marshall county, Kentucky, in the year 1831. His father was Joel Gilbert, who, in 1818, removed from North Carolina, his native state, to the state of Kentucky, and settled near the present site of Benton, Marshall county, Kentucky. He married Miss Tempa Grace, who bore him a family of ten children, of whom the subject of these memoirs was the seventh in order of birth. The parents were pioneers of Marshall county in the real sense of the term, and spent the rest of their days near the place of their original settlement in that county. The mother died in 1834, and the father in 1852.

Jesse C. Gilbert was born and reared the son of a pioneer farmer, and the scenes of his youth and early manhood were such as came to others of his day and time. Nothing unusual came into his experiences, but from an early date he possessed a fondness for books. He acquired a fair academic education, and, desiring to become a lawyer, he entered the law office of Philander Palmer, one of the ablest lawyers

of Kentucky, at that time, and under whose guidance he continued to read law until his admission to the bar in 1855. He was elected clerk of the Marshall county courts when he was only twenty-two years of age. Later he was elected county attorney, and in 1861 he was elected to represent his county in the legislature. Ten years later he was elected state senator from the second senatorial district, and in the state senate he served to 1875.

In 1874 he removed to the city of Paducah, where he continued to reside and practice law to the time of his death. He gained a large and lucrative clientage; won the reputation of being a profound lawyer, eloquent advocate and speaker, and gained the respect of all who knew him. In 1858 he married, in Benton, Miss Azelia Barry, who survives him and still resides in the city of Paducah.

ROBERT LEE SMITH.

Prominent among lawyers of the first judicial district, is Robert Lee Smith, of Clinton, Hickman county, Kentucky. Mr. Smith is a native of Kentucky, was born in Hancock county, August 14, 1869, and is the eldest of a family of four sons and two daughters, born to Dr. Lee N. and Emma (Kelly) Smith. The parents were born in Kentucky, the father in Shelby county, and the mother in Daviess county, and both came of old and prominent Kentucky families. The father has long practiced medicine. From Hancock county he removed his family to Breckenridge county, and in 1885 established the family residence in Hickman county. He now resides in Hailewell, Kentucky. In the main his children have been reared on the farm.

Hence, Mr. Smith, whose name forms the caption of this article,

was reared amid scenes of farm life, learning the lessons of industry and perseverance, which have been important factors in the success which has come to him in life. Completing a liberal education in Marvin College, Clinton, Kentucky, he taught in the public schools for five years with more than average success. He taught his first school when only seventeen years of age. While teaching school Mr. Smith studied law, and in March of 1892 was admitted to the bar. Immediately after his admission to the bar he opened a law office in Fulton, Kentucky, and was there engaged in the practice of law until in 1894. From Fulton Mr. Smith removed to the town of Moscow, Kentucky. In the latter place he remained till January, 1898, when he took up the duties of county attorney for Hickman county, having been elected to this office the previous fall. Upon entering into this office he established his residence in Clinton, where he has since continued to reside and practice law. While residing at Moscow he served as magistrate, and as county attorney Mr. Smtih served for four years, to the general satisfaction of the public and with credit to himself. In 1901 Mr. Smith was elected mayor of Clinton, the duties of which office he assumed in January, 1902, the term of office being for four years. As mayor his administration of the town's public affairs has been of a high moral tone, of business-like methods and progressiveness.

In politics Mr. Smith is a stanch Democrat, and loyally supports the men and measures of his party. He is a member of the Baptist church, and is numbered not only among leading lawyers, but also among the representative citizens of his county. In 1890, he wedded Miss Dora Eves, a Kentucky lady of accomplishments. To the marriage two daughters have been born.

In every sense of that much used term, Mr. Smith is a "self-made man." Steadily he has forged his way to the front in professional life, and today enjoys a good and lucrative clientage as a lawyer. His record has been free of anything of questionable practices, and consequently he is highly esteemed by his fellow citizens.

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E. BULLOCK SAMUELS.

E. Bullock Samuels, county clerk of Hickman county, Kentucky, and one of the leading citizens of Clinton, was born on a farm in Nelson county, Kentucky, December 25, 1871. He is a son of John G. and Clara P. (Bullock) Samuels. John G. Samuels was born in Nelson county, Kentucky, and was there reared. As he advanced in years and prominence he occupied positions of trust, and was made sheriff of his native county, serving two terms. About 1875 he removed to Texas, and was a merchant in Gainesville, Texas, until his death in 1879, when he was about sixty years of age. In politics he was a Democrat, and in religious faith was a member of the Baptist church. His widow removed to Columbus, Kentucky, and from there to Clinton in 1881, where she now makes her home. Three sons were born to these parents as follows: E. Bullock; John G., of Bardwell, Kentucky; and Thomas D., deputy county clerk at Clinton.

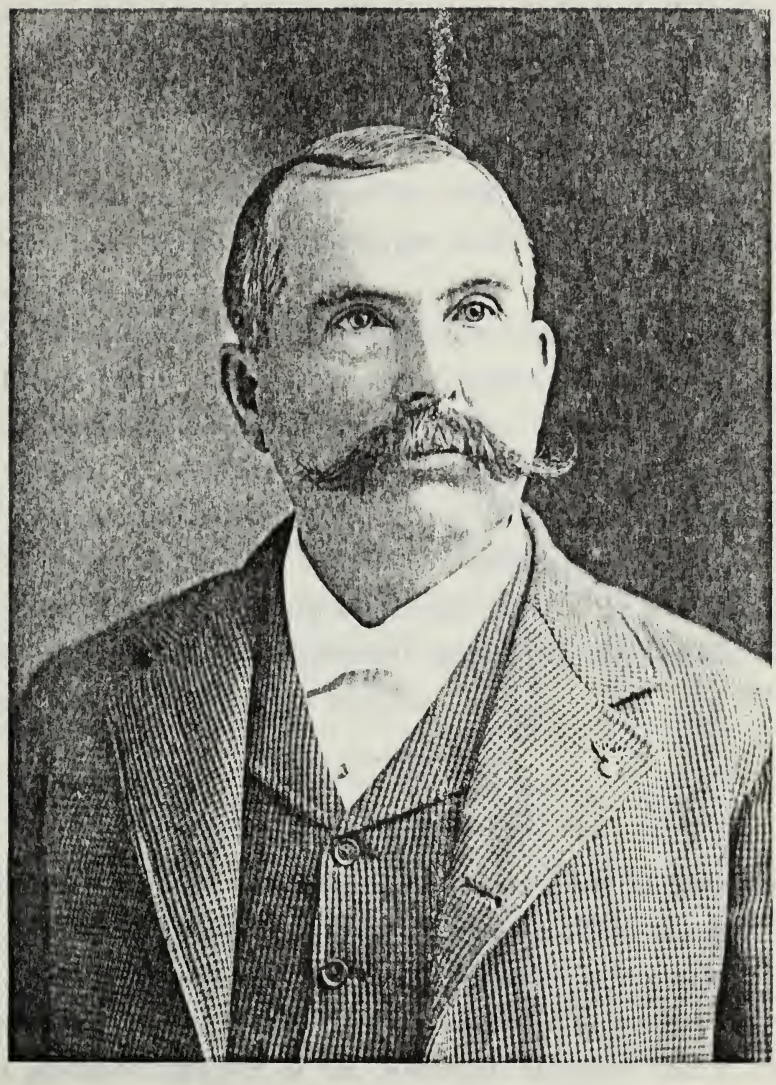
E. Bullock Samuels became deputy county clerk under James L. Moss, then county clerk, and served two terms amounting to four years. He was elected to his present office in 1897, and re-elected in 1901, upon the Democratic ticket. Fraternally Mr. Samuels is a member of the Knights of Pythias and Masonic fraternities, and he is a very popular young man and prominent in party affairs. He comes of old and estab-

lished families on both sides, his mother having been a daughter of the late Judge E. I. Bullock, who was so prominent a figure in Hickman county for so many years.

RICHARD GARNETT CALDWELL.

Richard Garnett Caldwell, one of the extensive real estate dealers at Paducah, Kentucky, was born near Glasgow, Barren county, Kentucky, September 18, 1849, and is a son of James S. and America (Garnett) Caldwell. Both the Caldwell and the Garnett families are old and honorable ones, the former of Virginia and the latter of Kentucky. James S. Caldwell was born in Green county, Kentucky, and was a son of Beverly Caldwell, who belonged to the Virginia Caldwells, of Scotch descent. The maternal grandfather of our subject was William Garnett, prominent both in Virginia and in Kentucky. James Caldwell was an agriculturist. He lived to the age of seventy years, but his wife died at the age of fifty-five. Both passed away in Barren county. They were pillars of the Christian Church and most highly esteemed residents of their locality. They reared to maturity two sons and five daughters, who survive them.

R. G. Caldwell remained on his father's farm until he was seventeen years old, and then entered upon a business career and soon became interested in politics. From 1867 to 1870 he served as deputy sheriff of Barren county. Going south, he then turned his attention to cotton-raising, and bought a plantation in Kemper county, eastern Mississippi, and remained there from 1872 until 1880. Upon his return to Kentucky, Mr. Caldwell became a commercial traveler and covered Kentucky and southern Indiana in the interests of harvesters. Later he



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became traveling agent through Illinois for a building and trust company, but soon after accepted the position of vice president and general manager for the Paducah Building and Trust Company, remaining with this organization for six years. In 1899 the real estate firm of R. G. Caldwell & Son was founded, which has met with such gratifying success that it now covers one of the largest fields of activity in the line in this part of the state.

On December 16, 1873, Mr. Caldwell was united in marriage with Miss Fannie Davis, who was born at Glasgow, Kentucky. Six children has been born to this union, as follows: Michael G., in a real estate business at Mayfield, Kentucky; Louisa; James S., in business with his father; Duke D.; William E., and Nellie. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell belong to the Christian Church. In politics, like his father, Mr. Caldwell has been active in the Democratic party. He is chairman of the city committee and an influential member of its councils. Fratenally he belongs to the Order of Elks.

ROBERT BURK FLATT.

Robert Burk Flatt, one of Hickman county's best and most favorably known lawyers and politicians, is a native of this county. His father, the Rev. James Madison Flatt, now nearly eighty years of age and residing on a farm some three miles south of Clinton, has for years been a prominent minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, contemporary with Finly Bynum, Simeon Weaver, Wade Frost, James Pirtle, W. C. Harris and other noted divines conspicuous in building up Methodism in Western Kentucky and Tennessee. Rev. Flatt was born in middle Tennessee, and in early life entered the ministry. He

was among the pioneer Methodist ministers of western Kentucky and Tennessee. His wife was Margaret Isabelle Morris, a native of Alabama, and a lady of sterling qualities of heart and mind, a faithful wife and devoted mother, and, like the good minister, a happy and consistent Christian. Nine children were born to them, of whom two daughters and three sons are now living and four sons are deceased, three of whom died in infancy, and one at the age of forty-two years. The father of this family is a self-educated man and in politics has been a life-long Democrat.

Robert Burk Flatt was reared upon the farm, attending first the country schools, and there he laid a firm foundation for an education, which was completed by a three years' course in Marvin College, of Clinton, Kentucky. Under the Hon. N. P. Moss, of Clinton, he studied law, and was admitted to the bar in September, 1895. He has risen rapidly in his profession, and has always been an active Democrat in politics. He is the present city attorney for Clinton, and by appointment is acting county attorney. Mr. Flatt is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, and is a lawyer of no mean ability.

On December 22, 1900, Mr. Flatt was married to Miss Anna McCullum of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, who is a daughter of Dr. J. A. McCullum, an eminent physician and surgeon of Arkansas. One daughter, Elizabeth, has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Flatt.

THOMAS LETCHER ATWOOD.

Thomas Letcher Atwood, president of the Hickman County Bank, of Clinton, Kentucky, was born on a farm in Allen county, Kentucky, August 27, 1843. He is a son of Lovel and Mary Herndon (Piper)

Atwood. The father was also a native of Allen county, Kentucky, and both he and his son were born on a farm about five miles northeast of Scottsville, Kentucky. The parents of our subject drove from Allen county to Hickman county, and in the year 1850 made permanent settlement about six miles north of Clinton, and there lived and died, being sturdy pioneers.

Thomas L. Atwood was reared upon the home farm of his father and given a fair education in the old Clinton Seminary. In the latter part of 1863 he enlisted in the Confederate army and served until the close of the war, under General Forrest, the brilliant cavalry officer, the "wizard of the saddle." He had two brothers, R. L. and W. L. Atwood, who enlisted in the Confederate army at the outbreak of the war, the former of whom was captured at Fort Donelson and was imprisoned at Fort Douglas in Chicago, and died there in August, 1862. W. L. Atwood served until the close of the war, and now resides in Texas.

Mr. Atwood remained at home after the war broke out to care for his widowed mother, but when she married, in 1863, he was free to enlist, which he did immediately. At present he is a member of Colonel Edward Crossland Camp, United Confederate Veterans. After his return home he commenced teaching, in 1868, and pursued his studies as best he could, and he continued along these lines until 1882, when he was elected county surveyor, and served eight years by election, and two years more by appointment, ten years in all. In politics he is a strong Democrat, and has always taken active part in party issues. Since February, 1893, he has been a resident of Clinton.

In 1871 he was united in marriage with Miss Hettie F. Bugg, who was born near Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. Atwood have chil-

dren as follows: E. Leland, studying for the ministry in Crozer Theological Seminary at Chester, Pennsylvania, having graduated from Clinton College and the Georgetown College; Elmer B., a graduate of the Clinton and Georgetown colleges, is now a Baptist clergyman attending the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky; May, also a graduate of Clinton College, is a teacher. Both Mr. and Mrs. Atwood are consistent members of the Baptist church, and take an active part in its good work. Mr. Atwood was one of the organizers of the Hickman County Bank, which was established in January, 1902, and he was elected its first president, which office of honor and responsibility he has since filled with great ability, his sagacity, conservative management and excellent judgment placing his bank among the leading financial institutions of the county.

JAMES H. SHELTON.

James H. Shelton, attorney-at-law, of Clinton, Hickman county, Kentucky, was born on a farm in Johnson county, Illinois, on the 18th day of February, 1864. When he was an infant of only four weeks, his mother died, and he was taken into the home of his maternal grandparents, by whom he was reared up to the age of twelve years, about which time his grandparents died, and he was thrown on his own resources for support in life. He secured employment with an Illinois farmer, and by and by visited an uncle in Obion county, Tennessee. There he engaged to work for a farmer, and thus he was further employed until he secured a teacher's certificate and began teaching school. He attended school in his youth as opportunity was afforded him, and to his studies he closely applied himself. By means of wages earned

while working on the farm he was enabled to defray the expenses of his schooling until he began teaching, and then he taught and attended school alternately, defraying the expenses of further educating himself with earnings gained as a teacher.

He came to Hickman county to teach school, and while teaching here took up the study of law under Judge N. P. Moss as his preceptor. Mr. Shelton was admitted to the bar in 1892, since when he has practiced law in Clinton. His clientage has steadily increased, and to-day he has a lucrative practice, and stands high in his profession. He is a hard and constant student, and in consequence thereof is well informed in the law. He is a strong advocate, and in his arguments and deductions he is clear and logical, and, being a speaker of no mean ability, carries conviction to judge and jury. He is fair-minded, just and impartial, which traits of character are readily recognized and gain for him the confidence of all who know him, and secure for him much legal business.

In politics he is an ardent Democrat, and fraternally he holds membership both in the Masonic and Knights of Pythias fraternities. He is also a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. In 1888 Mr. Shelton married Miss Sallie Farabough, a native of Tennessee, and daughter of Thomas R. and Sallie (Ward) Farabough. Mr. and Mrs. Shelton have three children, namely: Herschel, Raymond and Mary Frances.

Mr. Shelton deserves much praise for the success he has achieved in life. He was left an orphan from infancy, thrown entirely upon his own resources when only twelve years of age, and under difficulties secured his education, and in the truest sense of that much used American term he is a "self-made man."

MARCUS L. CUMMINS.

Marcus L. Cummins, who is now living a retired life in Arlington, was one of the extensive landowners of Carlisle county and has been very successful in his life work. He well merits the rest which he is now enjoying, and the fruits of his former toil supply him with all of the necessities and many of the comforts and luxuries of life. He was born upon a farm in Nelson county, Kentucky, June 27, 1829, and is a son of Michael and Nancy (Lent) Cummins. His father was a native of Anderson county, Kentucky, born on the 10th of July, 1786, and was a son of Matthew Cummins, whose birth occurred in Halifax county, Virginia, and who was of Irish descent. At the time the colonists attempted to throw off the yoke of British oppression Matthew Cummins joined the American army and fought in the Revolutionary war, loyally aiding in the struggle which resulted in the independence of the nation. He was a weaver by trade and became an early settler of Anderson county, Kentucky, taking an active and helpful part in its pioneer development and progress. There he lived until called to his final rest. He was the father of eleven sons and seven daughters, and seven of the sons served their country in the war of 1812 and had a remarkable record, all escaping injuries and being able to return to their homes at the close of hostilities.

Michael Cummins, the father of our subject, was born in Anderson county and reared there amid the wild scenes of frontier life. After arriving at years of maturity he wedded Nancy Lent, the wedding taking place on Christmas day of 1810. She was a daughter of William Lent, who died in Nelson county, Kentucky, April 10, 1836, in the eighty-fifth year of his age. He was a native of London, England, and came to

America when seventeen years of age. He, too, was a hero of the Revolutionary war, participating in the battles of Brandywine, Princeton and many other engagements which added to the sum of victories that ultimately quelled British power in the United States. In 1784 he was married in Virginia, and after the death of his first wife was again married. Removing to Nelson county, Kentucky, he there took part in its pioneer development, and was one of its leading, influential and honored citizens; for over fifty years he was an ardent and active member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and lived an exemplary life. For twenty-five years or more his home was the regular preaching place in pioneer days.

To Michael and Nancy Cummins were born the following children: Mary O., William L., Elizabeth L., Matthew N. and Nancy P., all of whom are now deceased; John E., a resident farmer of Carlisle county, Kentucky; and Marcus L. In January, 1832, the parents came to what is now Carlisle county, Kentucky, settling near Milburn, on O'Bion creek, and there they spent their remaining days, the father devoting his energies to agricultural pursuits. He was a Whig in his political views and during the Civil war remained a stalwart advocate of the Union cause, using his influence as far as possible that Kentucky might remain in the Union; and he felt great rejoicing when the legislature finally voted to retain the place which it held in this great government and not join forces with the Confederates. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cummins are devoted members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and their many excellent traits of heart and mind won for them the love and confidence of those with whom they were associated. Mr. Cummins died in Carlisle county, March 22, 1863, and his wife passed away on the 7th of December, 1870.

Marcus L. Cummins was reared upon the old home farm in Carlisle county, on which his parents located when he was only three years old. He pursued his education in one of the primitive log schoolhouses of the times, where he was instructed in the "three R's, readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic," but though his educational privileges were somewhat limited his knowledge was greatly broadened in later years through experience, observation and reading.

On the 3d of January, 1854, Mr. Cummins obtained a companion and helpmate for life's journey by his marriage to Miss Harriet Ann Pile, a daughter of William and Elizabeth (Stayton) Pile, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of Kentucky. Mrs. Cummins was born in what is now Carlisle county, Kentucky, on the 29th of March, 1836, and by her marriage became the mother of three children: William, Annie and Julia, all of whom are yet living and are married. Mr. Cummins continued to reside on the old family homestead in Carlisle county after his marriage, and there cared for his parents during their declining days. He lived on that farm for sixty-nine years, and at length left it to locate in Arlington in March, 1899. He was a most prosperous agriculturist, carefully conducting his business along lines that brought him deserved success. He was progressive in his methods of farming and kept in touch with the advancement of the times, using the latest improved machinery and all modern equipments that would facilitate the work of the farm. As his financial resources increased he invested in other property until his realty holdings became extensive. At one time he was the owner of over eight hundred acres of valuable land, and thus he was able to give to each of his children a home.

Mr. Cummins has voted with the Republican party since its organization, and believes firmly in its principles. His wife holds mem-

bership in the Methodist Episcopal church, and though he is not identified with any denomination he has contributed generously to the support of the church. He belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his life has ever been upright and honorable, winning for him the respect and high regard of those with whom he has been associated. As almost his entire life has been passed in this county, his history is well known to our readers, and that many of his warmest friends are numbered among those who have known him from his youth to the present is an indication that his career has ever been such as to merit the respect and good will of all with whom he has come in contact. The history of the county from pioneer times to the present is a familiar one to him, and he has borne an active and helpful part in the work of general improvement.

TOM C. PETTIT.

The press has not only recorded the history of advancement, but has also ever been the leader in the work of progress and improvement—the herald of civilization. The philosopher of some centuries ago proclaimed the truth that "the pen is mightier than the sword," and the statement is continually being verified in the affairs of life. In molding public opinion the power of the newspaper cannot be estimated, but at all events its influence is greater than that of any other single agency. Mr. Pettit is a representative of the journalistic interests of Bardwell, Kentucky, where, since 1899, he has published his paper.

A native of Calloway county, Kentucky, he is a son of the Rev. Thomas H. Pettit, whose birth occurred in White county, Tennessee, and who came to Kentucky in 1866. He was a Baptist minister of considerable prominence, and for thirty-five years continued in the work

of the holy calling, giving his energies to the upbuilding of the church until his death, which occurred in 1895. His wife was Miss Belisle, and represented a family connected with the pioneer history of both Virginia and Tennessee.

Tom C. Pettit is a native of Calloway county, Kentucky, born in 1867, and with his parents came to Ballard (now Carlisle) county, Kentucky, in 1870. In 1883 his parents removed to Arlington, where he entered the drug business, with which he was connected until 1894. In that year he began the publication of the Carlisle County *News*, at Arlington, where he remained until 1899, when he removed his paper to Bardwell, where he has since continued its publication with success, securing a good patronage, both from subscribers and advertisers. The paper is well edited, is neat in appearance, and the plant is well equipped for doing high-grade work.

In 1889 Mr. Pettit was united in marriage to Miss Ada Owen, of Arlington, and they have a wide acquaintance in Bardwell, numbering many warm friends.

JUDGE ARNOLD T. HOBBS.

Judge Arnold Thomas Hobbs, who is now serving upon the bench of Carlisle county, and is a distinguished citizen of this part of the state, has directed his activity into various channels which have proved of benefit to the community at large and at the same time have advanced his individual interests. As a member of the medical fraternity, as a merchant and as an agriculturist, he became well known to the people of this locality, and wherever known he has won the confidence, good will and friendship of those with whom he has been associated.

Judge Hobbs is a native of Carlisle county, his birth having occurred

November 22, 1849, upon a farm on the Graves county line. His parents were George S. and Julia Ann (Stephens) Hobbs. The Hobbs family is of English lineage, and was established in America at an early epoch in the development of this country. George Hobbs and his wife, the grandparents of the Judge, were natives of North Carolina, and in pioneer times removed to Carroll county, Tennessee, and there the grandmother died. Soon afterward the grandfather removed to western Kentucky. In the meantime George S. Hobbs, the Judges' father, had been born in Carroll county, and was about six years of age when his father came to this state, the family settling on the farm in Carlisle county which later became the birthplace of our subject. The grandfather was afterward again married, his second wife being a daughter of Garrett Willingham, one of the honored pioneer settlers of Carlisle county. By his second marriage he had no children, and those born of his first union were: Moody Kirby, deceased, was a farmer of Carlisle and in honor of his middle name was named the town of Kirbyton, which was located on his farm; Ann Mariah, deceased, was the wife of Green Rowland, who lived and died in the vicinity of Kirbyton; George S., father of our subject; Rebecca Jane, deceased, married Aaron Green, moved to Texas and there she and her husband died; and Charles Carr and Louis Parsons, who died in early life.

George Hobbs was a typical representative of the prominent families of North Carolina in ante-bellum days, and devoted his life to agricultural pursuits throughout his business career. He was not long permitted to enjoy his new home in Kentucky, however, for he died shortly after his arrival here.

George S. Hobbs was reared in Carlisle county to farm life, and throughout the period of his business career was connected with that

pursuit. He witnessed much of the development and improvement of this county through several decades, for the family was established here at a comparatively early period. After arriving at years of maturity he married Miss Julia Ann Stephens, who was born in Nelson county, Kentucky, February 9, 1826, a daughter of Abraham and Lucretia (Seibert) Stephens. Her mother was of Scotch descent. Her father was born in Virginia, and at an early day they came to Carlisle county, casting in their lot with the pioneer settlers, to whom the county is indebted for much of its present progress and prosperity, for they laid broad and deep the foundation upon which the later-day advancement has been builded. George S. Hobbs continued to engage in farming until his death, which occurred on the 16th of February, 1862. His widow still survives him and is now living in Carlisle county. Both were members of the Missionary Baptist church, and Mr. Hobbs was a Democrat in his political affiliations. He possessed good business ability, and in the control of his affairs met with creditable and gratifying success. After the death of her first husband Mrs. Hobbs was again married, in 1863, becoming the wife of Bethel A. Slayden, who was also a farmer and who died in 1894. By her first marriage she became the mother of seven children: Sarah Frances, who is the widow of E. S. Weldon, of Clay county, Texas; Lucretia Elizabeth, the wife of Martin James, of Carlisle county, Kentucky; Arnold Thomas; Columbus Haywood, of Dallas, Texas; Louisa Angeline, the deceased wife of S. W. Peery, of Carlisle county; Julia Ann, the wife of Bascom Wright, of Graves county, Kentucky; and Mary Judson, the wife of L. B. Bean, of California. To Mr. and Mrs. Slayden were born two children, Robert Lee, who is now deceased; and Mineola, the wife of Robert L. Ashbrook, of Indian Territory.

Upon the home farm Judge Hobbs was reared, and pursued his education in Milburn Academy, in Carlisle county. In 1868 he taught his first term of school, and following the profession through several terms he was enabled to meet the expenses of his own academical course. In 1870 he went to Texas, where he engaged in teaching for a few months, and then became connected with the cattle industry as a cowboy and as a dealer in cattle. After three years spent in the Lone Star state he returned to Kentucky and took up the study of medicine under the direction of Dr. W. D. Senter and R. T. Hocker, of Carlisle county, and in the winter of 1873-74 he attended a course of lectures in the medical department of the University of Tennessee, at Nashville. In 1874-75 he attended Bellevue Medical College, New York, and graduated from that institution in the spring of 1875, located at Lowes, Graves county, Kentucky, and entered upon his professional career, in partnership with his former preceptor, Dr. R. T. Hocker. There he remained until the fall of 1880, when he removed to Arlington, Kentucky. In 1887 he retired from the active practice of medicine and turned his attention to merchandising, which he followed for a time in Arlington. Later he further extended the field of his labors by engaging in agricultural pursuits, and for ten years prior to his election to the bench he successfully followed the occupation to which he was reared.

Since August, 1902, Judge Hobbs has made his home in Bardwell. He is a stanch Democrat in politics and is recognized as one of the leaders of the party in this locality. In 1893 he was elected to represent his district, composed of Ballard and Carlisle counties, in the general assembly and served in the house for one term, leaving the impress of his individuality and patriotic spirit upon the legislation enacted during

that period. In 1901 he was chosen county judge of Carlisle county, and the following year took his place upon the bench, where he is now serving most acceptably, his decisions being fair and impartial, unbiased by personal prejudice or favor.

In 1876 was celebrated the marriage of Judge Hobbs and Miss Mary F. Peck, who was born upon a farm near Lowes, Graves county, Kentucky. Their children are Mary Emma, who died at the age of eight years, and Thomas Herbert and Carl Haywood, who are now in school. The parents are members of the Missionary Baptist church, with which the Judge united in 1876. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In whatever relation of life we find him—in the public service, in political circles, in professional or business life or in social relations—he is always the same honorable and honored gentleman, whose worth well merits the high regard which is uniformly given him.

JEFFERSON AUGUSTUS FARABOUGH, M. D.

Jefferson Augustus Farabough, M. D., of Clinton, Kentucky, was born in Weakley county, Tennessee, October 25, 1847, son of Thomas R. and Sallie (Ward) Farabough. The Farabough family, as far back as their history is traced, were residents of North Carolina, and Thomas R. Farabough was born in Granville, that state. When he was a lad of twelve years his father, James Farabough, removed to Henry county, Tennessee, and there settled and passed the rest of his life, and died in 1861 at the age of seventy years. He was the father of the following named children: William, Thomas R., Martha Jane, and Sula, all now deceased except Thomas R.

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Thomas R. Farabough was reared on his father's farm, and has all his life been engaged in agricultural pursuits. After his marriage, which event occurred in Henry county, Tennessee, he moved to Weakley county, that state, where he has continued his residence up to the present time, having reached the advanced age of eighty years. During the Civil war he was a soldier in the Confederate army, served about two years, and at the end of that time was discharged on account of failing health. He has long affiliated, politically, with the Democratic party and, religiously, with the Methodist Episcopal church, south, of which church his wife also was a consistent member. She died in 1890, at the age of sixty-five years. The names of their children are as follows: Jefferson A.; Ballard S., of Hickman county, Kentucky; Bettie, wife of F. M. Roberts, of Henry county, Tennessee; Elnora, deceased wife of W. W. Pirtle; Udora, deceased, was the first wife of W. W. Pirtle; Emma, who died in infancy; Wylie W., an attorney of Paris, Tennessee; Belle, wife of James Chambers, of Obion county, Tennessee; Sallie, wife of J. H. Shelton, an attorney of Clinton, Kentucky; and James, of Weakley county, Tennessee.

Jefferson A. Farabough, the eldest of the family above named, was reared on his father's farm and received his early education in the country schools near his father's home. In 1870, at the age of twenty-three, he was united in marriage to Miss Lydia Boaz, of Fulton county, Kentucky, who died that same year, leaving an infant daughter, Sallie, who is now the wife of Richard Jackson, of Humboldt, Tennessee. In 1873 Dr. Farabough married Miss Mattie Sanders, of Montgomery county, Tennessee. She bore him two children, Hettie, wife of J. W. Wood, of Clinton, Kentucky; and John B., a farmer of Fulton county, Kentucky. The mother of these children died in 1875, and in 1878 our

subject wedded Miss Fannie B. Rawls, by whom he has six living children, viz.: Walter, Earl, Thomas, Addie, Irene and Luradine. One child died, aged three and a half years.

When Dr. Farabough began life on his own account it was as a farmer, and after the death of his first wife he turned his attention to the study of medicine, studying and practicing first in the office of Dr. Albert Johnson, of Weakley, Tennessee, and later entering the Eclectic School of Medicine at St. Louis, where he graduated in 1876. The year following his graduation in St. Louis he was engaged in practice at Dukedom, Tennessee. The next year he spent in Arkansas, and, returning to Kentucky, located at Pryorsburg, where he practiced six years, after which he purchased a farm in the eastern part of Hickman county. On this farm he lived for a period of sixteen years, dividing his time between the cultivation of his farm and the practice of his profession. In the winter of 1892 Dr. Farabough took a post-graduate course in the Eclectic Medical Institute at Cincinnati, Ohio, thus further preparing himself in the line of his profession. Subsequently, in the fall of 1900, he moved to Clinton, where he has since resided.

While Dr. Farabough has farmed and practiced medicine, he has also preached, and his life in more ways than one has been a blessing to those with whom he has been associated. He embraced Christianity in the fall of 1865. In the fall of 1888 he was licensed to preach in the Methodist Episcopal church, south, and in the winter of 1890 was ordained a local deacon in the annual conference of the Memphis Conference.

Dr. Farabough is identified with various organizations, social and professional, among them being the Masonic order, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Hickman County Medical Society, Kentucky

State Medical Association, Kentucky Eclectic Medical Association and National Eclectic Medical Association.

All his life Dr. Farabough has been a Democrat, and since becoming a resident of Clinton he has been a member of the city council, and is now chairman of the town board of health. He has ever espoused the cause of temperance, and is therefore and always has been much in sympathy with prohibition movements.

JOHN R. OWEN, M. D.

For more than a quarter of a century Dr. John Reese Owen has engaged in the practice of his profession in Arlington, and his active connection with the calling dates from 1868. He has long occupied a position of prominence in the medical fraternity of western Kentucky, and receives the respect and admiration which arise not only from professional success but also from the possession of sterling traits of character. Honored and esteemed by all, there is no man more worthy of mention in the history of Carlisle county than is Dr. Owen. He was born in what is now Carlisle county, but was then a part of Ballard county, his natal day being September 15, 1839.

His paternal grandparents were Rev. John H. and Elizabeth (Humphreys) Owen. The former was a native of Halifax county, Virginia, and from the age of twenty-one years until his death devoted his life to the work of the Christian ministry as a preacher of the Missionary Baptist Church. He became one of the pioneer preachers of the denomination in Kentucky, to which state he removed from the Old Dominion when a young man. Who can say what good has resulted from the seeds of truth which he sowed? His influence was

widely felt, and the localities in which he lived owed their early moral development in large measure to his efforts. He also followed agricultural pursuits, rearing his family upon his farm. He possessed sterling qualities of heart and mind, and left a deep impress for good upon his generation. His wife was a native of Caswell county, North Carolina, and to them were born several sons and daughters, who were reared amid the refined influences of a cultured Christian home.

Thomas Jefferson Owen, the father of Dr. Owen, was born in Warren county, Kentucky, June 8, 1808, spent his youth under the parental roof and when a young man of twenty-two years removed to Calloway county, Kentucky, settling upon a tract of land which he occupied for about two years. He then sold that property and removed to Ballard county, taking up his abode near the village of Cunningham, but later removed to a farm near Spring Hill, and here he spent many years, devoting his attention to agricultural pursuits with creditable and gratifying success. He married Miss Garthena Willingham, who was usually known by the given name of Gettie. Her father, Jarrett Willingham, was one of the pioneer settlers of Hickman county. Mrs. Owen died in 1844, leaving three children: Margaret Elizabeth, who became the wife of Joel B. Reese and died in 1902; John Reese, whose name introduces this record; and James Thomas, who died in 1851 aged nine years and some months. The father, long surviving his wife, died at the home of the Doctor in Arlington, on the 22d of December, 1888, having passed the eightieth milestone on the journey of life. Both were laid to rest in the family graveyard upon the old home farm near Spring Hill. They were ardent and faithful members of the Missionary Baptist church, and for many years the father was a notable and prominent citizen of this region. He engaged in mer-

chandising for some time, and also served as postmaster at Obion, a postoffice now extinct. In his political views he was a Democrat of the Jeffersonian school. A man of strong convictions, of marked courage and of fearless loyalty to whatever he believed to be right, he was regarded as one of the influential citizens of the county, and largely aided in molding public thought and feeling.

Dr. John Reese Owen was reared on the home farm, and began his education in the country schools nearby, while later he attended Milburn Academy. Determining to devote his life to the practice of medicine, he entered upon his preparation in the month of September, 1865, with Dr. George Beeler, for years one of the most eminent physicians of western Kentucky, as his preceptor. After studying for two years under the guidance of Dr. Beeler, Mr. Owen attended a course of medical lectures at the University of Louisville and then located on the old parental farm, near Spring Hill, where he began his professional career as a country physician. There he continued for four years, and then returned to the University of Louisville, where he completed the regular course and was graduated on the 1st of March, 1872. Following his graduation he then returned to his country home, and resided and practiced there for five years more.

In December, 1876, Dr. Owen located in Arlington, where he has since continued his residence, and throughout the years which have since elapsed his practice has been both extensive and lucrative. He is a member of the Carlisle County Medical Society, of which he has served as president, and he also belongs to the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society and the International Association of Railway Surgeons. Since 1878 he has been the local surgeon for the Illinois Central Railroad at Arlington. Concentration of purpose and persistently ap-

plied energy rarely fail of success in the accomplishment of any task, however great, and in tracing the career of Dr. Owen, it is plainly seen that these elements have been the secret of his rise to a position of prominence. He possesses a genuine love for his work and for scientific investigation and research, and he has kept fully in touch with the advance which is continually being made by the medical fraternity in methods of practice.

In his political views the Doctor is a Democrat, and during President Cleveland's second administration he served as postmaster of Arlington. Fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a Master Mason and has served for several terms as the chief officer of the blue lodge. Dr. Owen also has a creditable military record. When twenty-one years of age he left the farm, and in June, 1861, volunteered for service in the Confederate army, becoming a member of Company A, Second Kentucky Infantry. He was soon promoted from private to second sergeant, and participated in the battles of Fort Donelson, Hartsville, the sieges of Jackson and Vicksburg, the battle of Chickamauga and many skirmishes. At Hartsville he was wounded in the body, on the 7th of December, 1862, and was disabled for service for three months. At Chickamauga, September 20, 1863, he was wounded in the arm, just above the wrist, but he never faltered in the performance of his soldierly duty, no matter how much hardship it entailed. In March, 1864, he was detailed for service in the quartermaster's department, and continued to act in that capacity until the close of the war. He is now a member of James W. Moss Camp No. 1287, United Confederate Veterans, and is assistant surgeon of that organization for his brigade.

On the 7th of January, 1866, Dr. Owen was married to Miss

Fannie J. Wray, a daughter of James H. and Celia Horn (Ward) Wray. She was born in Calloway county, Kentucky, October 27, 1844, and died in Arlington, October 4, 1897. By this marriage nine children were born: James T., now living in St. Louis, Missouri; Lenna Buckner, a druggist of Arlington; Ada Fannie, the wife of Tom C. Pettit, of Bardwell, Kentucky; John William, of Morehouse, Missouri; Ernest Holt, also living in Morehouse; Robert Emmett, a physician of St. Louis, Missouri; Elbert Brit, a bookkeeper in St. Louis; Errett Lee and Verna Ann, at home.

In addition to his residence in Arlington, Dr. Owen owns the old family homestead, and is engaged in farming and in the culture of bees, having a fine apiary. He gives his personal supervision to these business interests, but his attention is chiefly devoted to his practice, which has steadily increased in volume and importance as the years have gone by. He votes with the Democratic party and is an active member of the Misionary Baptist church, to which he has contributed liberally of his time and means. In manner he is agreeable and courteous, sympathetic and kindly, and in public affairs is generous and progressive.

W. A. LACKEY, M. D.

Dr. W. A. Lackey, first assistant physician at the Western Kentucky Asylum for Insane, is a native of Kentucky, and a son of Dr. G. W. Lackey, of Pembroke, Kentucky. His father was born in Kentucky and received his medical education in the Louisville Medical College at Louisville, Kentucky, of which institution he is a graduate; he is now a prominent physician of Pembroke, this state. Our subject's mother, by maiden name was Annie Elizabeth Hollins.

Dr. W. A. Lackey was born in Logan county, Kentucky, October 2, 1871, and when four years old was brought by his parents to Christian county, where he was reared, receiving excellent educational advantages. His early training was received in Perry Academy. Then he entered Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, where he completed a medical course and received the degree of M. D., in 1892. Returning from college, he engaged in the practice of his profession at Pembroke, where he soon won the confidence of the people and gained a fair share of practice. In order to still further prepare himself for his life work, he went east in 1895 and spent the winter in New York, taking a post-graduate course. He was appointed to his present position, that of first assistant physician of the Western Kentucky Asylum for Insane, in 1900. Dr. Lackey keeps thoroughly posted along the lines of his profession, and is a valued member of various medical societies, including Christian County Medical Society, Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society and Kentucky State Medical Association.

Dr. Lackey was married in 1895, to Elizabeth Potter, a native of Bowling Green, Kentucky, and a daughter of J. C. Potter. They have three children, namely: Elizabeth, Potter and Margaret Adair. The Doctor and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he at one time served as steward. Since his eighteenth year he has taken an active interest in political affairs, affiliating with the Democratic party. He is, fraternally, identified with the Elks at Hopkinsville and the Knights of Pythias at Pembroke.

MOREAU T. SHELBOURNE.

Moreau Thomas Shelbourne is actively connected with a profession which has important bearing upon the progress and stable prosperity of any section or community, and one which has long been considered as conserving the public welfare by furthering the ends of justice and maintaining individual rights. His reputation as a lawyer has been won through earnest, honest labor, and his standing at the bar is a merited tribute to his ability. He now has a large practice, and his thorough preparation of cases is supplemented by a power of argument and a forceful presentation of his points in the courtroom, so that he never fails to impress court or jury and seldom fails to gain the verdict desired.

Mr. Shelbourne was born in Lovelaceville, Kentucky, September 6, 1851, and is a son of Moreau T. Shelbourne, Sr., now deceased. The father was born in Spencer county, Kentucky, in 1807, and died on his farm in Ballard county, this state, in 1873. He was a son of Robinson and Amelia Frances (Rodman) Shelbourne. The grandfather of our subject was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and when a youth came to America, settling in Kentucky, where he married. His wife was a native of this state and belonged to the old and prominent Rodman family. Residing at Taylorsville, Kentucky, Robinson Shelbourne there engaged in farming, operating his land by the aid of slaves, and he also became interested in steamboating and in flatboating on the rivers, taking produce down the Mississippi to the New Orleans market. He lost his life in the Crescent city, at the hands of a Spaniard.

Moreau Shelbourne, Sr., was reared in Spencer county, and there

learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed in connection with farming. When about twenty-three or twenty-four years of age he removed to Graves county, Kentucky, and was there married to Miss Mary Ann James. The young couple began their domestic life in what was then the village of Mayfield, and Mr. Shelbourne conducted a blacksmith's shop. After a short married life his wife passed away, leaving two sons, Robinson and Thomas, both of whom are now deceased. Mr. Shelbourne was afterward married to Miss Nancy James, a sister of his first wife and a daughter of Thomas W. James, a pioneer of Graves county. Mrs. Shelbourne was born in Tennessee. After his second marriage Mr. Shelbourne removed to Lovelaceville, in Ballard county, and later took up his abode upon a farm about four miles southwest of the town. He died in what is now Carlisle county, respected and honored by all who knew him, and his second wife passed away when about fifty-three years of age. The children of this marriage were: Mary Ann, the wife of Alfred Jones, of Carlisle county; Joseph James, who was drowned at the age of eighteen years; Amelia Frances, the wife of S. W. Gholson and now deceased; Malinda R., the wife of T. W. Burrow, of Carlisle county; and Moreau T., of this review. The father was a Democrat in his political affiliations, and the parents held membership in the Missionary Baptist Church, conforming their lives to its teachings.

Moreau T. Shelbourne was reared upon the home farm and was educated in the free schools, which he attended until eighteen years of age. He then entered Blandville College, and his educational privileges well prepared him for life's practical duties. In his early manhood he worked upon the home farm for two or three years, and also spent two years in a mill in Blandville. He then took up the study of law,

and in 1874 was admitted to the bar, entering upon the practice of his profession in Blandville. When the county seat was removed to Wickliffe he removed to that place, and in 1886 he located in Bardwell, where he has since made his home. He has gained a large and distinctively representative clientage, and has been connected with much of the important litigation tried in the courts of his district. In 1882 he was elected county attorney of Ballard county for a term of four years, capably serving in the office, and in 1896 he was chosen by popular suffrage for the office of commonwealth's attorney, serving for five years. In politics he is a stanch Democrat. He is now a member of the law firm of Shelbourne & Kane, of Bardwell, and of Shelbourne, Kane & Smith, of Fulton.

Mr. Shelbourne has been thrice married. In 1874 he wedded Cora Hendricks, and to them were born two children, but only one is living: Arthur L. In 1885 Mr. Shelbourne wedded Jennie L. Dennis, who died May 25, 1902, leaving two children, Lillian and Roy M. In 1903 he married Mrs. Sallie C. Waggener, *nee* Smith.

Mr. Shelbourne is well known in Carlisle county and western Kentucky, where the circle of his friends is almost co-extensive with the circle of his acquaintance.

HON. LUCIAN B. ANDERSON.

Hon. Lucian B. Anderson was born in Graves county, Kentucky, June 23, 1834. His father was John Anderson, a pioneer of Graves county, its first clerk of county and circuit courts, and a most worthy citizen. Lucian Anderson gained a fair common school education; was a deputy under his father and later under his brother, Ervine An-

derson, in the office of clerk of county and circuit courts; studied law, and in 1845 was admitted to the bar. To the practice of law as a profession he devoted his time until 1879, when he retired from the profession. In 1851 he was elected county attorney, but soon afterward resigned the office; in 1855 he was elected to the state legislature, and served one term. In 1863 he was elected to Congress. In Congress he served one term, and while a member of Congress he voted for the Thirteenth Amendment, abolishing slavery throughout the United States, which was adopted January 31, 1865, by the house of representatives. This act of his is worthy of note, in consequence of his being southern born, reared and educated, and a representative of a slave state in Congress. He became a Republican in politics and in 1864 was a delegate to the Republican National Convention, which renominated President Lincoln.

October 22, 1856, Lucian Anderson and Ann R. Lockridge were united in marriage.

GEORGE F. CATLETT.

George F. Catlett, the editor of the Princeton *Leader* published at Princeton, Kentucky, was born in Morganfield, Union county, this state, on the 17th of March, 1868, and is a son of Robert P. and Adelle (Rucker) Catlett. The father was born in Morganfield, Kentucky, February 22, 1840, and died in Princeton, this state, on the 18th of August, 1888. His father was George F. Catlett, Sr., one of the early settlers of Union county, and later a representative merchant of Morganfield, where he spent his last days. His birth had occurred in Virginia, whence he came to this state, and for many years was accounted one of the enterprising and valued citizens of his

locality. The maternal grandfather of our subject was Joshua Rucker, who became an early settler of Caldwell county, Kentucky, and lived and died here. It was his daughter, Adelle, who became the wife of Robert P. Catlett. She was born in Princeton on the 8th day of July, 1845. Soon after their marriage they began their domestic life in Morganfield, where they resided continuously until 1875, and then removed to Princeton. While in the former place the father carried on agricultural pursuits, and at Princeton he established a confectionery store, which he conducted with success until his life's labors were ended in death. In his political affiliations he was a Democrat and fraternally was connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Both he and his wife held membership in the Presbyterian Church and lived in harmony with its teachings, so that their upright lives gained for them the respect, confidence and good will of all with whom they were associated. Mrs. Catlett still survives her husband and is yet living in Princeton. By her marriage she became the mother of seven children: Nannie R., has been successfully engaged in teaching in the public schools for eighteen years, and for four years served most acceptably as superintendent of the schools of Caldwell county, having been the only lady ever elected to that position in this county. She is now teaching in the public schools of Princeton and is the owner of the Princeton *Leader* and the Clinton *Democrat*, the latter paper being published in Clinton, Kentucky. George F. is the second of the family. Robert M., a railroad employe, is residing in Paducah, this state. Joshua R. is the publisher of the Clinton *Democrat*. Elizabeth is a teacher in the graded schools of Princeton. Necie is a teacher in the public schools of Caldwell county. Samuel O. is a printer in the office of the *Leader* at Princeton.

George F. Catlett was educated in the schools of Morganfield and of Princeton, and in 1886 began learning the printer's trade in the latter place. He is now the publisher of the Princeton *Leader,* and is a well known representative of journalistic interests in this part of the state, having devoted his entire life to this work. The *Leader* is well conducted, and is a neatly edited sheet devoted to the best interests of the community, to the dissemination of local and general news and to the advocacy of the Democratic party. In 1883 Mr. Catlett was united in marriage to Miss Laura Williams, of Princeton, and they have a pleasant home and many friends there.

GEORGE ROCK.

George Rock, the veteran shoe merchant of Paducah, has resided in this city since 1858. Mr. Rock was born in 1835, in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, the second of three children born to John and Barbara Rock. His father died in Germany, in 1848, and the following year, the mother and her three children, Elizabeth, George and John, left the fatherland and came to the United States. They located in Cleveland, Ohio.

In that city George Rock served a three years' apprenticeship at the trade of shoemaking. To shoemaking and dealing in shoes he has since devoted his business life. Learning his trade, he became a journeyman somewhat after the manner of custom in his native land. To Louisville, Kentucky, he drifted, and there worked for some time. In 1857, he opened a shop of his own in the village of Lafayette, Christian county, Kentucky, but the following year he came to Paducah, where he has led a remarkably successful business career beginning

as the proprietor of a small custom shoe shop, now conducting one of the largest shoe establishments of western Kentucky, and ranking among the wealthiest merchants and citizens of the city of Paducah. From a poor young man of a humble trade he has risen in the business and commercial world, and for many years Mr. Rock has held conspicuous rank among merchants of the flourishing city of Paducah, to the material upbuilding of which he has by no means been a small contributor. His store is one of the many excellent business houses of which the citizens of Paducah justly boast, and his residence is among the largest and handsomest of the city. Much credit is due Mr. Rock for the success he has achieved in life, and his success should be an inspiration to the young man who has no capital nor favorable circumstances with which to begin the solution of life's business problem.

In 1856, Mr. Rock was married in the city of Louisville to Miss Catherine Seigel, and into his home eight children were born. Mr. Rock and family are communicants of the German Evangelical Church, and for years he has been a member of the Masonic order. He has never sought political preferment, for his business has required his full time and attention, and besides he has preferred to lead the life of a business man only. Well and favorably known, Mr. Rock stands among the most respected citizens of Paducah, and justly entitled to mention in a work of biography devoted to men who have been identified with the founding, growth and development of his city, county and state.

LOUIS A. BOLI, JR.

The term "captain of industry," which has become a familiar one in the parlance of the day, may well be applied to Louis Alexander Boli, Jr., a gentleman whose marked business ability and enterprise have built up one of the largest industrial concerns of western Kentucky and one which materially increases the prosperity of this region, paying annually thousands of dollars to its employes. Honored and respected by all, there is no man in this part of the state who occupies a more enviable position in industrial and financial circles than he, not alone by reason of the splendid success he has achieved, but also because of the honorable, straightforward business policy he has ever followed. Far-sighted, energetic and enterprising, he forms his plans readily and is determined in their execution, and at the same time he has ever maintained a business policy that will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny.

Mr. Boli is one of Ohio's native sons, his birth having occurred in the city of Hamilton, on the 29th of May, 1871. His parents, Louis Alexander, a native of Indiana, and Carrie (Buckle) Boli, a native of Ohio, lived in Hamilton, Ohio, during the boyhood of their son Louis. In 1890 the father removed to this state and became owner and operator of the business carried on under the name of the L. A. Boli Wood Stock Company, which was the predecessor of the Suwanee Spoke & Lumber Company. He continued the operation of the plant until 1896, when, in January, the new company was formed, Mr. Boli, Sr., accepting the vice-presidency, but retiring from the active management of the business in order to enjoy a well earned rest. He then returned to his old home in Ohio, where he is now living.

L. A. Bolin Jr.

L. A. Boli, Jr., was reared in his native city and is indebted to its public school system for the educational privileges which he enjoyed, being a graduate from the Hamilton high school, which fitted him for a practical and successful business career. Coming with his father to Kentucky when nineteen years of age, Mr. Boli became associated with him in business, and in connection with the Wood Stock Company he received the training which well qualified him for the active management of the extensive business now under his control. On the 1st of January the Suwanee Spoke & Lumber Company was formed, and on the 22d of February, L. A. Boli, Jr., assumed charge. The officers of the company are S. N. Leonard, president, and also president of the Farmers' Bank of Eddyville; L. A. Boli, Sr. vice president; L. A. Boli, Jr., secretary, treasurer and general manager; and W. C. Lady, superintendent. The practical training which he had received under the direction of his father, and the comprehensive knowledge which he had gained concerning timber, its uses and the capabilities of manufacture enabled him to make the new enterprise a profitable one from its inception, and for three years the business was successfully conducted. The plant was then destroyed by fire, but the energy and enterprise of the management was undaunted by the calamity, and within a few months a larger and superior plant took the place of the old one. It is now one of the finest manufacturing plants to be found in the south. Situated on the right bank of the Cumberland river, the wharfage and docks for receiving timber are unexcelled. The Illinois Central, by spur tracks, enter the grounds, affording excellent shipping facilities for the manufactured product. The company owns its own steamer and fleet of barges, and collects its raw material from the inexhaustible forests on the banks of the Cumberland and Tennessee rivers and along the line of

the Illinois Central Railroad. The company spends thousands of dollars annually for material and labor, thus adding directly to the wealth of the state. The reputation of the Suwanee spokes has long since become international. The product is shipped to every state in the Union and exported to every country of Europe. For years the export trade has been a specialty with this company, and in 1898 they were awarded a contract to supply the British artillery with spokes for use in constructing their artillery pieces. The annual output of the spoke department reaches the enormous amount of five millions. There is also a large business done in the lumber department, and in this connection the company handles a large supply of finished doors, glazed sash, moldings and every item of material used in the construction of a modern house.

The energy and business capacity peculiar to the people of his native state are fully exemplified in Mr. Boli, who has infused his northern zeal into southern resources, with the usual result—success. He is familiar with every detail of his great manufacturing plant, and finds much pride in being able to personally direct the most minute detail of his business. Improvement and progress are thoroughly instilled into his very nature, and every piece of machinery about the vast plant is of the latest improved and scientific make.

A man of resourceful business ability, Mr. Boli has extended his efforts into other lines. He was one of the organizers of the Kuttawa Mercantile Company, which was formed June 1, 1902, and of which he is the president. The company conducts a department store, in a large and handsomely appointed building, carrying a large stock of goods. Mr. Boli is also the secretary and treasurer of the Cumberland Towing Company and a stockholder in many other institutions of the

city, his business sagacity being a desirable factor in the conduct of enterprises of importance.

In 1892, in Hamilton, Ohio, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Boli and Miss Maud Gwinner, and to them have been born two children, Louis Gwinner and Lois Rebecca. Mr. Boli is a prominent Mason, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he has passed all the chairs in the blue lodge and royal arch lodge and in the Knights of Pythias fraternity. He belongs to the Baptist church, and is deeply and helpfully interested in all that pertains to the welfare of the city, being at the present time a member of the board of education. His name is a synonym for business integrity and commercial enterprise, and he belongs to that class of representative American men who, while promoting individual success, also advance the general welfare.

LAWRENCE B. ANDERSON.

Lawrence B. Anderson, formerly a general insurance agent of Mayfield, now of Paducah, is a native of Graves county, Kentucky, born February 1, 1860. Mr. Anderson is a son of Ervine and Eliza (Lockridge) Anderson. His father was the first white child born in Graves county, Kentucky, after the organization of the county. The date of his nativity was January 21, 1820. He was the son of John and Rebecca (Davenport) Anderson.

John Anderson, the paternal grandfather of our subject, was born in what is now Albermarle county, North Carolina, and there was reared and educated. He then as a young man came to Kentucky, at a time when the Jackson Purchase had not yet been organized into counties. He was then a married man, having married Miss Rebecca

Davenport, in North Carolina. He cleared up his farm, and in 1821, just as Graves county was formed, he was elected clerk of the county and circuit courts. At that time the present offices of county clerk and circuit clerk were united. He continued in this office until his death in 1842. He studied law and practiced irregularly; was a man of great natural ability, and stood very high in the esteem of his fellow citizens. He served in the war of 1812, and was a Whig in politics.

On coming to Kentucky he first settled in Caldwell county, Kentucky. The following is the copy of a record made in his own writing: "Emigrated from Caldwell county, Kentucky, to the district of country west of the Tennessee river, and settled on Mayfield creek in the woods, two and a half miles north of the present site of the town of Mayfield. We had to make our way through the woods from the Tennessee river and were three days on the route, encamping in the woods at night and threading our way through the thicket by day. We arrived on the 27th of October, 1819, at our place of future residence, and pitched our camp. I built cabins and cleared land, and resided at that place until December, 1824, when, the county of Graves having recently been organized, and myself appointed clerk of the county and circuit courts, I moved to the town of Mayfield." Here he ever afterward lived.

His son Ervine served as his deputy in the office of clerk of the county and circuit courts, to which office he was afterward several times elected, and was serving therein when the Civil war came on. During the war he began the practice of law. With the change of the Constitution he was again elected county and circuit clerk; was a representative of his county in the legislature in 1871-72, and continued to practice law until his death, July 11, 1876. He was a Cumberland Presbyterian, a Mason and a Democrat.

Eliza (Lockridge) Anderson, the mother of our subject, was born in Graves county, Kentucky, May 8, 1829, and was married to Ervine Anderson, October 15, 1844. To the marriage were born nine children, four sons and five daughters, namely: Lawrence B., John, Wiley, Annie, Amelia, Edith, Emily, Albert and Hester. The mother of these children was a daughter of Robert D. Lockridge, born in Lexington, Kentucky, November 5, 1805. He married Elizabeth Buchanan, of Logan county, in 1827. He was a physician and died in Graves county in 1876. He was a son of Robert Lockridge, who was a pioneer of Murray county, Tennessee, whither he removed from Lexington.

In Mayfield, Lawrence B. Anderson was educated. He first taught school and then took up the practice of law, having been admitted to the bar in 1886. In 1890 he was elected county judge of Graves county, and made a good officer in that position, leaving which he took up the insurance business. Subsequently he served as commissioner of insurance for the state, having only recently retired from this position. Mr. Anderson is and always has been a Democrat in politics. Fraternally he is a Knight of Pythias, and he and his wife are members of the Baptist Church. He was married, August 11, 1888, to Miss Daisy D. Bollinger, daughter of J. F. Bollinger, of Mayfield.

In every official relation Mr. Anderson has been indefatigable in the discharge of duty, and by reason of his integrity and fidelity, has won the esteem and confidence of the public, and to-day he stands as a representative of the many excellent men to whom the great state of Kentucky sets claim.

GEORGE M. STEELE.

George M. Steele, a blacksmith and horseshoer of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, was born in Fleming county, this state, February 26, 1849. His father, Martin Dawson Steele, also a native of Kentucky, was born in Clark county, December 4, 1812, and when a young man located in Maysville, Mason county, this state, where he learned the trade of blacksmith. Subsequently he moved to Washington, in the same county, which continued to be his home for about forty years. In 1872 he located in Hopkinsville and engaged in the manufacture of plows, and to him belongs the destinction of having made the first iron plow ever manufactured in the state of Kentucky. He was thrice married. In Lewis county, Kentucky, he married his first wife, Nancy Means, a native of this state, who died a few years later, leaving him with two sons, William and George M. By his second wife, who was Amanda Mefford, he had one daughter, Elizabeth, who is now the wife of George W. Bowles, of Christian county, Kentucky. Both these wives died in Mason county, and for his third companion Mr. Steele wedded Mary Knight, who bore him two sons, Robert and Archie. M. D. Steele died in Hopkinsville, at a ripe old age, respected by all who knew him. Politically he was in early life a Whig, and religiously his views harmonized with the teachings of the Christian church, of which he was a worthy and active member, serving as deacon and elder.

George M. Steele learned the trade of blacksmith in his father's shop, in Mason county, and subsequently became a partner in the business with his father, in Hopkinsville, continuing as such while his father lived, since which time he has been alone in business. Mr.

Steele is recognized as one of the best horseshoers of Kentucky, and does a large business in this line.

Mr. Steele was married in 1896 to Ada Kennedy, a native of Todd county, Kentucky, born in 1861, daughter of U. C. Kennedy, also a native of Todd county. Mrs. Steele was reared in Christian county. They are the parents of two children, namely: Martin W., born December 15, 1897, and Elizabeth A., born November 23, 1899, both in Hopkinsville. Mr. Steele is a member of the Presbyterian church. For twelve years he has been identified with the order of Knights of Pythias, and politically is a supporter of the Democratic party.

JOHN H. SPALDING.

The Spalding family, of which John H. Spalding is a member, has been identified with Kentucky for many years, several generations of them having been born here. John H. Spalding was born in Warren county in 1844, son of Charlie and Annie (White) Spalding. The father was born in 1813 and died in 1897, and his remains were interred in the Spalding burying ground in McCracken county. He was a well known farmer and respected citizen, and always took a commendable interest in public affairs. In 1883 he was constable of McCracken county. His wife, also a native of Kentucky, was born in Warren county. She died in 1862, at the age of fifty years. The grandfather of John H. Spalding was also named Charlie. He was born and lived and died in Kentucky, living an active, useful life and attaining ripe old age. Mr. Spalding's maternal grandfather was Jackson White. He, too, was a native of Kentucky; passed his life here, and at the time of his death was one hundred years old. The names

of the brothers and sisters of Mr. Spalding are as follows: Charles; James M.; Jonathan; Elgie S.; Edward B.; Linsey; Rex; Sallie E., wife of Wesley Griffin, a farmer of Indian Territory; Willie, wife of Andrew Holt, a farmer of Carlisle county, Kentucky; Tommy E., wife of Jacob Craig, a well known business man of Alva, Oklahoma; Ethel, wife of Phinas Humphreys, a wealthy farmer of McCracken county; Enola, wife of John Chatman, a farmer of McCracken county; Nannie, wife of Taylor Murphy, a farmer of McCracken county; and Susan, wife of Richard Hart, a farmer of McCracken county.

His parents moved to McCracken county, from Warren county, when John H. Spalding was quite small, and in the country schools of McCracken county he received his education. A youth in his teens, he left school in 1862 and entered the Confederate army, the fortunes of which he shared until 1865, participating in numerous engagements, including the battles of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, in 1862; Helena, Arkansas, July 4, 1863, and Pleasant Hill, Louisiana, in 1864. In the last named battle he was wounded. At the close of the war Mr. Spalding returned to McCracken county and settled down to farming, and the next year was married. He has ever since been engaged in agricultural pursuits, making a specialty of raising fruits and vegetables.

Mr. Spalding was first married, in 1866, to Miss Anna Hunt, and two children were born to them: Ella, now the wife of Mack Harris, a prosperous farmer of McCracken county; and Bernice, who is now the wife of Mack Edwards, a miner of Hopkins county, Kentucky. The mother of these children having died in 1876, Mr. Spalding married, in 1878, Miss Addie Wilson, and the children of this union are Harold and Melvin. After the death of his second wife he married Miss

Josie E. Morgan, in 1881, and their children are: Genie and Roy. Mr. and Mrs. Spalding are members of the Baptist Church, and he affiliates politically with the Democratic party.

JAY WILLINGHAM.

Jay Willingham is an efficient county officer, now filling the position of sheriff of Carlisle county, and the trust reposed in him is well merited, for he is most faithful to his duty and loyal to the obligations which devolve upon him. He was born in what is now Hickman county, at Spring Hill, Kentucky, on the 4th day of March, 1850, and is a son of Thomas T. and Sallie (Reese) Willingham, the former a native of Henderson county, Kentucky, while the latter was born near Murray, Tennessee. The paternal grandfather of our subject, Jarrett Willingham, became an early settler of what was then Ballard but is now Carlisle county. He cast in his lot with the early settlers in the vicinity of Cunningham and was there connected with agricultural pursuits for many years, dying at an advanced age. The maternal grandparents of our subject were James and Rebecca Reese, who came from their native state of Tennessee to Kentucky, establishing their home near Spring Hill in Hickman county. In their family were the following named: James, Joel, John, Sallie and Betsey, all of whom are now deceased.

Thomas T. Willingham was reared in Carlisle county, and after arriving at years of maturity wedded Miss Sallie Reese, whose birth occurred in Hickman county. They took up their abode near Spring Hill, where they lived for thirty years, and on the expiration of that period they came to Carlisle county, settling in its western district near

Arlington. There they spent their remaining days. The father was a farmer by occupation, following that pursuit throughout his entire life in order to provide for his family, and in his undertakings he prospered because he was energetic and industrious and because of his keen foresight in business matters. He served his locality as magistrate for several years, and gave an unfaltering support to the Democracy. Both he and his wife were advocates of Christian living, and were loyal members of the Missionary Baptist church. He died when seventy-three years of age, and his wife passed away at the age of seventy-two years. Their children were as follows: Margaret, who is the widow of Thomas Sullenger and resides in California; Alpha, who is the widow of Thomas Ellis and is living in Carlisle, Kentucky; Maria, the deceased wife of Marion Patterson; Mary, the wife of Brit Glenn, of Carlisle county, Kentucky; Jay; Richard, a miller of Carlisle county; Robert, a machinist of Bardwell; and William, who was the third of the family and died while serving in the Confederate army during the Civil war.

Jay Willingham was reared upon his father's farm, and in his youth attended the country schools. He began the battle of life for himself when about nineteen years of age as a farmer, and for twenty years carried on agricultural pursuits in Carlisle county. He then engaged in the stave business, which he followed for a year and on the expiration of that period resumed farming, which continued to claim his time and energies until he was called to public service. He became deputy sheriff in 1898 and served in that capacity until 1900, when he was appointed to fill out the unexpired term caused by the resignation of F. P. Fisher as sheriff. At the regular election Mr. Willingham was then elected to the office, and is the present incumbent. He discharged his duties

without fear or favor, and is a most loyal custodian of the public peace.

Mr. Willingham was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Thompson, a native of Alabama, and they have become the parents of three children: Edward, Inez and Shirley. Mr. and Mrs. Willingham were married in 1881, and have since traveled life's journey happily together. They hold membership in the Missionary Baptist church and are people of sterling worth, enjoying the high regard of all with whom they are associated. Mr. Willingham is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is true to the beneficent teachings of the fraternity. He deserves much credit for his success in life, and may well be termed a self-made man, for whatever he possesses has been acquired through his own perseverance, discriminating efforts and indefatigable industry. He started out in life on his own account empty-handed, and steadily has worked his way upward, overcoming all obstacles and difficulties in his path by determination and resolute purpose.

BUCKNER LEAVELL.

Buckner Leavell, steward of the Western Kentucky Asylum for Insane, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, is a native of this place and was born June 24, 1852. The Leavells are of French origin. Their emigration to and settlement in this country was previous to the Revolutionary war, and the great-great-grandfather of our subject was a general in that war. In Virginia the Leavell family settled and there several generations of them lived and died. Lewis Livingston Leavell, the father of Buckner Leavell, was born in Virginia in 1807, son of Lewis Leavell, a native of that state, who emigrated with his family to Kentucky in the

early part of the last century and settled in Todd county. He started the town of Trenton in Todd county, and there he had a large landed estate and was the owner of many slaves. His family comprised six children, the second born being Lewis Livingston.

Lewis Livingston Leavell was reared on his father's plantation, where the family settled when he was quite small, and he was educated for a lawyer, in a school in New Orleans. About 1830 he located in Hopkinsville and engaged in the practice of law, which he continued for some time. Farm life, however, had more attraction for him than did the law, and he removed to his country home. He was the largest landowner in Christian county, had a large number of slaves and dealt extensively in tobacco, shipping to Liverpool, England. For many years he took an active interest in politics, and at one time represented his county in the state legislature. He died in November, 1860. He and his wife were the parents of ten children, five sons and five daughters. The mother of this family was before marriage Miss Mary Ann Buckner. She was born in Virginia in 1812 and when a child came to Christian county, Kentucky, where she was reared. She was a daughter of Frank Buckner, a prominent early pioneer of Kentucky, he having come from Virginia to this state, where he became the owner of many broad acres and dusky slaves. She was left an orphan when a child, and was reared by her aunt, Susan Buckner. The Buckners were the oldest family in Christian county, the date of their arrival here being more than a hundred years ago.

Buckner Leavell is the youngest son in his father's family. He was reared in Hopkinsville. At the early age of seventeen years he commenced farming operations on his own account, and continued thus employed for a period of thirteen years. Then he moved back to Hopkins-

ville and turned his attention to the real estate and insurance business, still, however, retaining his farm, and superintending its operation up to the present time. For several years he dealt in real estate and wrote insurance, and during that time he served one term as city treasurer. He was elected city judge for a term of four years. This latter office he resigned in order to accept the position he now holds, that of steward at the Western Kentucky Asylum for Insane. Mr. Leavell married Miss Anna Monroe, daughter of Judge James Monroe, of Frankfort, Kentucky. Mrs. Leavell belongs to the same family of Monroes that furnished the United States with a president. Fraternally, Mr. Leavell is identified with a number of organizations, including Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Ancient Order of United Workmen, and Woodmen of the World. He is also a member of the Baptist church.

DR. THOMAS RIVERS.

Dr. Thomas Rivers, deceased, was born in Christian county, Kentucky, in 1830. While he was yet a child his parents removed to Hickman county, this state, and there his father, who was a physician, died in 1838. Soon after his father's death, his mother removed to Montgomery county, Tennessee, and there our subject grew to manhood. After receiving a fair literary education he took up the study of medicine under Dr. Dabney, a local physician, under whose preceptorship he was prepared to enter a medical college. In 1850 he entered the medical department of the University of Louisville, Kentucky; later became a student in the medical department of the University of New York, from which he was graduated in 1853. In that same year he located in Hickman, Fulton county, Kentucky, and began his career as

a practitioner of medicine and surgery. In 1858 he removed to Arkansas, where he was enjoying a good practice when the Civil war came on.

In 1862 he entered the Confederate army as a surgeon of the Thirty-first Tennessee Regiment, which position he retained through the entire war. Prior, however, to his connection with the above named regiment, in 1861, he was assistant surgeon in a command of Missouri State Guards, under Colonel Waugh. The war closed, Dr. Rivers located in Ballard county, Kentucky, and there practiced with gratifying success till 1882, when he established himself in Paducah. He was a member of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, and of the Kentucky State Medical Association, and was also a member of the Masonic order.

In 1868 Dr. Rivers was united in marriage to Miss Sue Terrell, a daughter of Horace Terrell. The marriage issue comprise six children, namely: Horace T., Thomas, Edwin A., Jane D., Robert J. and John F. Rivers.

JOHN W. TURK.

In reviewing the history of John W. Turk, one is reminded of the words of a great New York financier, who said: "If you are not a success don't blame the times you live in, don't blame the place you occupy, don't blame the circumstances you are surrounded with, lay the blame where it belongs—to yourself. Not in time, place or circumstance, but in the man, lies success. If you want success you must pay the price." Realizing the truth of this, Mr. Turk has paid the price of concentrated effort, indefatigable energy, of perseverance and well applied business principles, and has won the victory which he determined to gain when he started out upon an independent business

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career. He is now one of the leading business men of Bardwell, where he is engaged in merchandising and in the banking business, being the president of Bardwell Deposit Bank. He also has extensive landed interests, and his possessions are the visible evidence of his life of enterprise.

Mr. Turk was born upon a farm in Henry county, Kentucky, near Campbellsburg, October 20, 1852, and is a son of Thomas Robert and Elizabeth (Christler) Turk, both of whom are natives of Kentucky, the former born in Henry county and the latter near Louisville. The paternal grandfather of our subject was Robert Turk, a native of Virginia, who at an early day established his home in Henry county, Kentucky. Subsequently, however, he removed to Missouri, where his last days were spent. The mother of our subject also represented an old Virginia family, of German lineage. Thomas Robert Turk was born in 1818, and after arriving at years of maturity was married in Jefferson county to Miss Christler. He there lived until 1858, when he removed to Carlisle county, and here he spent the evening of his life, passing away on the 31st of August, 1870. A farmer by occupation, he always carried on that pursuit, and met with a fair measure of success in his undertakings. His wife survived him for a few years, passing away in 1878, when fifty-six years of age. Both held membership in the Methodist church, and Mr. Turk gave his political support to the Democracy. Their children were as follows: Jesse C. and Thomas S., both deceased; William Robert, who is engaged in merchandising in Bardwell; Mrs. Sarah E. Anderson, now deceased; John W.; Addie; and Nora C., who has passed away.

Upon the home farm John W. Turk was reared, early becoming familiar with the labors of fields and meadow. He pursued his educa-

tion in the country schools, and at the age of nineteen left the home farm in order to enter upon his business career. For about two years he was engaged in clerking in Fort Jefferson, and in 1874 he joined his brother, W. R. Turk, in the establishment of a general store in Bardwell. They had but a small capital, and had a little stock of goods at the beginning, but through honorable business methods and fair dealing won a liberal patronage. They prospered from year to year, and in 1879 Mr. Turk sold out to his brother. Soon afterward he began business alone, and has met with a high degree of success as a general merchant of Bardwell. He has a fine brick store, two stories in height, and has a double room which is well filled with a carefully selected line of general merchandise. Mr. Turk is also one of the original stockholders of the Bardwell Deposit Bank, and has served as one of its directors since its organization. On the 1st of January, 1902, he was chosen its president, and is now acting in that capacity. He has also judiciously invested in landed interests, and now has extensive and valuable property holdings.

In 1876 Mr. Turk was united in marriage to Miss Alice Bodkin, a daughter of Daniel Bodkin, of Carlisle county. Their marriage was blessed with nine children, of whom two are now deceased. Mr. Turk has always given his political support to the Democracy, but has had neither time nor inclination to seek public office. Fraternally he is connected with the Odd Fellows and with the Masons, and has attained to the Knight Templar degree in the latter organization. His reputation in business circles is one of the highest, for he is not only energetic and enterprising, but also thoroughly reliable, and through his own efforts has steadily advanced to the plane of affluence. He represents the highest type of American enterprise and industry, and his rise to commer-

cial prominence has been the result of his own efforts and ability. No business man in Carlisle county, of to-day, has accomplished more, if as much, as has John W. Turk. Taking into consideration the fact that from a poor young man just off the farm, he has steadily advanced in the commercial and business world, and to-day stands the peer, if not in the advance, of any other business man of Carlisle county, and all accomplished by means of his own well directed and sagacious efforts, it is evident that Mr. Turk's business career has not only been active and successful, but also useful, entitling him to praise and the confidence of his fellow-citizens. Perhaps no other man has contributed as much to the upbuilding of Bardwell as has John W. Turk. He was given aid to every enterprise and effort that have been put forth to advance the public good of Bardwell and of Carlisle county.

In deportment he is genial, considerate and generous. His friends and patrons are numerous, and by a wide circle of acquaintance he is held in highest esteem.

DR. REUBEN SAUNDERS.

The late Dr. Reuben Saunders was one of the most distinguished physicians and surgeons that ever resided in the city of Paducah. He was a native of Kentucky, born in Frankfort, in 1808. In his native city he was principally reared to manhood, and in early life was apprenticed to a book-binder. His early education consisted largely of what he learned in leisure moments from literary productions passing through his hands. In 1832 he went to Wetumpka, Alabama, and while in the south studied medicine, attended one course of medical lectures at Charleston, South Carolina, and then entered Jefferson Medical Col-

lege, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated in 1836. He then returned to Alabama, where for a period of six years he was actively engaged in the practice of his profession. In 1844 Dr. Saunders removed to McCracken county, Kentucky, locating for a few years in the country. In 1847 he located in the city of Paducah, where he continued to practice the rest of his career, which extended over a broad expanse of time and until he ripened into old age and passed away in death.

To Dr. Saunders was due the distinction of having first discovered the efficacy of belladonna as an agency in the treatment of cholera, the practice being by hypodermic injection of atropa. This discovery was made by him in 1873, and this treatment of this dreaded disease has been universally indorsed and utilized by the profession. He was a progressive professional man, and kept well informed on the progress of his profession. He was one of the most skilful of physicians, kind and generous, so much so that he was a much beloved doctor. He was no less respected as a citizen, for he was esteemed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. He was for years a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was also an active member of medical societies.

He was twice married, first, in 1838, in Knoxville, Tennessee, to Adaline Roberts, who died in Paducah, leaving six children, one of whom, John B. Saunders, attained eminence as a physician. In 1858 Dr. Saunders married for a second wife Rebecca Lockett, of Richmond, Virginia.

Such is a brief sketch, and such as only can be prepared from the meagre information at hand, of one of the pioneer physicians of western Kentucky.

ROBERT O. WILLINGHAM, JR.

Robert O. Willingham, Jr., the popular deputy clerk of Carlisle county, where for six years he has filled the position, was born upon a farm in this county, March 17, 1879. His parents were Robert O. and Fronia (Sanford) Willingham. The former is a native of Carlisle county and is a son of Thomas T. and Sallie (Reese) Willingham, while the great-grandfather of our subject was Jarett Willingham, one of the pioneer settlers of what is now Carlisle county. From that time to the present representatives of the name have been prominent and active in advancing measures and movements for the general good, and the Willingham family has ever been an honored one here. The father of our subject still resides in Bardwell, and is one of the leading and influential citizens of the town and county.

Robert O. Willingham, Jr., obtained a fair common school education and then turned his attention to the mastery of a commercial course. He had the misfortune to lose his right hand, and in order to fit himself for a position in the business world he entered the Falls Business College of Nashville, Tennessee, where he pursued a course in stenography and type-writing, becoming very proficient therein, so much so that since that time he has engaged in teaching those branches to a greater or less extent in Bardwell. When only eighteen years of age he was appointed deputy county clerk, and has since acted in that capacity, displaying unusual fitness for the position. After studying law in the office of W. J. White, of Bardwell, until qualified for practice, he successfully passed an examination whereby he was admitted to the bar in 1901. Realizing the difficulty confronting a young man in the building up of a law practice among old and prominent lawyers, and being under

necessity of applying his efforts in lines which would give him quicker returns of revenue than would the practice of law, he accordingly turned his attention in other directions. For one year Mr. Willingham served as a stenographer in the law office of the Hon. R. J. Bugg, of Bardwell, but since then he has devoted all of his time and attention to his duties as deputy county clerk, much of the work of the office devolving upon him, because Mr. Young, who is his superior in office, is largely engaged with his duties as cashier of the People's Bank of Bardwell.

Mr. Willingham is a member of the Baptist church, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a popular young man, energetic, enterprising, genial and affable, and he has many friends in his native county.

ALFRED B. CRAWFORD.

Alfred B. Crawford is a prosperous and highly respected resident of Vulton Creek, Graves county, Kentucky. He is the son of Byrum S. and Malvina (West) Crawford, and was born in that county, April 5, 1854. His father was born in Alabama, while his mother was a native of Tennessee. The paternal grandfather was Alfred Crawford, born in Alabama, of English ancestry. The maternal grandfather was Robert West, who was born in Tennessee, and also came of English ancestry. Byrum S. Crawford was a farmer, and made his home in Graves county from the time he was nine years of age. In politics he was a Democrat, and religiously was a member of the Missionary Baptist church, in which faith he died May 6, 1895, aged sixty-eight years, seven months and nineteen days. The wife died August 2, 1883, aged fifty-six years, nine months and

nine days. Their children were as follows: Martha J., Mary C., Ann E., Alfred B., Levina F., deceased, John R., Harriet S., James T., Lula B., deceased, and Alice G.

Alfred B. Crawford was reared in Graves county, Kentucky, within a quarter of a mile of his present home, and after attending the public schools of that period he went to school in Mayfield, and was under the instruction of Professor Greenup. After finishing his literary training Mr. Crawford taught school for eleven years in Graves county, when he embarked as a merchant and carried a full line of dry-goods and groceries, and in this connection has also operated a large farm, now owning two hundred and forty-one acres of land, well improved, nearly all of which is under cultivation. His business career has been a successful one, although he started out in life without capital save that of a determination to win, energy and a realization of the value of a dollar. In his political faith, like his father, he is a Democrat, and he is also a member of the Missionary Baptist church.

In 1876 Mr. Crawford was united in marriage with Miss Mary E. Hargrove, who was born in Graves county, where she was educated. Her death occurred April 12, 1885, when she was twenty-seven years of age. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Crawford were as follows: Manton G., Susan Z., deceased, Verdie R. and Ernest C. In 1887 he was married to Miss Alice B. Gallemore, who was born in Graves county and educated in Mayfield. She taught school in that county and in Calloway county, and was very popular with instructors and children alike. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, namely: Fred A. and Ligon.

GEORGE B. UNDERWOOD.

George B. Underwood, a coal dealer and one of the representative business men of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, was born here January 19, 1849, the son of Kentucky parents. B. T. Underwood, his father, was for many years a merchant in Christian county, and for six years served as clerk of the circuit court. He was a worthy member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and was a stanch Republican. During the war of the rebellion he fought for the preservation of the Union. He was a captain in the Twenty-fifth Kentucky Volunteer Infantry, was all through the war and participated in numerous engagements, including the battle of Pittsburg Landing. He married Ethalinda C. Campbell, who, like himself, was a native of Kentucky, and they became the parents of two children, a son and daughter, George B. and Mary Alice, this son being the only survivor of the family.

George B. Underwood was reared and educated in his native place, and received his early business training in his father's grocery store. After his marriage, which event occurred in 1871, he went to Evansville, Indiana, and engaged in the wholesale shoe business, remaining there a year and a half. Returning to Hopkinsville, he turned his attention to the coal business, and has been successfully dealing in coal ever since that time.

Mr. Underwood was married in Hopkinsville, in 1871, to Miss Laura E. Foulks, a native of Kentucky and a daughter of E. L. Foulks, of Hopkinsville. She died in 1886, and in 1888 Mr. Underwood married Miss Adelia Ducker, a native of Georgia, and a daughter of William Ducker, a Kentuckian. Mr. and Mrs. Underwood have had five chil-

dren, namely: George B., Mary, William D., Laura Dee, and Jennie C., all living at this writing except Mary.

Mr. Underwood is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and of the order of Knights of Pythias. He was one of the prime movers in the organization of Evergreen Lodge, K. of P., and was its first chancellor commander.

WILLIAM WADE RAY, M. D.

Dr. William Wade Ray, superintendent of the Western Kentucky Asylum for Insane, at Hopkinsville, Kentucky, is a native of this state and dates his birth, in Lebanon, Marion county, June 25, 1852. Dr. Ray traces his ancestry back to the Scotch-Irish. The Rays, however, have long been residents of this country, and several generations of the family have lived in Kentucky. Nicholas Smith Ray, the Doctor's father, was born in Marion county, Kentucky, and was a prominent factor in business affairs in his day. He was a well known attorney, for thirty years was cashier of the Marion National Bank, and was at one time president of the Cumberland & Ohio Railroad. He died at the age of sixty-three years. Nicholas Ray, Dr. Ray's grandfather, was a prominent merchant of Lebanon for many years. He had a family of four children, all of whom grew up to occupy useful and respected positions in life. N. S. Ray married Mary Ann Catherine Wade, a native of Perryville, Kentucky, daughter of Colonel William Wade, a well-to-do farmer of Boyle county, Kentucky, who earned the title of colonel in the war of 1812. She died at the age of thirty years, leaving a family of four children, namely: Bettie, deceased; W. W.; Nicholas, a resident of South Africa; and Joseph, deceased.

Dr. Ray received his early education in the Lebanon schools. Later he was sent to the Junkin military school at Danville, Kentucky, and still later to the University of Michigan. He began his medical course in the medical department of the University of Louisville, where he graduated in the spring of 1876. The next year he spent in Bellevue Medical College, New York. In 1890 he took a course in the Polyclinic, New York. After his graduation in Louisville he opened an office at Springfield, Kentucky, and for a period of twenty-five years was engaged in the practice of medicine there. In May, 1901, he was appointed to the position he now occupies, that of superintendent of the Western Kentucky Asylum for Insane. Dr. Ray has been a student all his life, and keeps himself fully abreast with the advancement made in his profession. He is identified with numerous medical organizations, including the Kentucky State Medical Society, the Mississippi Valley Medical Society, the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Christian County Medical Association and the Breshear Medical Society.

Dr. Ray was married May 16, 1877, to Miss Sally Huges, and they are the parents of two children: Sue W., at home, and Nicholas, attending military school at Asheville, North Carolina. Politically Dr. Ray affiliates with the Democratic party, and is earnest and active in his support of the same. However, he is not a politician. His creed is that of the Presbyterian church, in which he was reared, his parents and grandparents having been worthy members of that church.

EDWIN R. COOK.

Edwin R. Cook, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, is one of the well known and highly respected residents of Christian county, where he has lived for more than half a century. A brief review of his life gives the following facts:

Edwin R. Cook was born in Liberty, Bedford county, Virginia, April 11, 1824, a representative of a family that had lived in the Old Dominion for several generations. His father, William Cook, was born September 21, 1789, in Franklin county, Virginia, son of Benjamin Cook, also a native of Franklin county, Virginia. Benjamin Cook spent his life as a farmer in his native state. He and his wife were the parents of seven sons, two of whom died in infancy, the others being Moses, Samuel, Robert, William and Benjamin F. William Cook was a farmer and an attorney at law at Liberty, where he passed his life and died. He was a prominent Democrat, active in public affairs, and his house was a general stopping place. He married, in Campbell county, Virginia, Sarah Ottey, a native of Bradford county, that state, and they became the parents of eight children, Edwin R. being the fifth in order of birth, and the others as follows: Mary, Frances, Robert, William, Laura, Sarah and James, all born and reared in Virginia.

About the time he reached his twenty-fifth year Edwin R. Cook came to Kentucky. Shortly after his arrival here, in 1850, he married Miss Martha U. Campbell, a native of Kentucky, daughter of John P. Campbell, who was born in Orange county, Virginia, and who moved to Kentucky at an early day and located on a farm in Christian county. In the Campbell family were nine children, Mrs. Cook being the seventh in order of birth. After Mr. Cook's marriage he returned to Virginia

and settled up his father's estate, and then came back to Kentucky and settled on a farm of five hundred acres near Hopkinsville, where for many years he carried on general farming extensively. He is now living retired in Hopkinsville.

His life of earnest and successful endeavor has gained for him a place among the leading representative citizens of the county. For several years he was a member of the board of commissioners for the Western Kentucky Asylum for the Insane. When a young man he graduated in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania. However, he practiced his profession for only a short time. He has been a life-long Democrat, and, fraternally, has for many years been a Mason, having membership in Lodge No. 37, F. & A. M. To Mr. and Mrs. Cook have been given a large family, eleven in number, seven of whom are deceased—Sarah, William, Flora, Edwin R., Mary C. and two that died in infancy. Those living are Walter, James O., Frank P. and Robert L., all born and reared in Christian county

JOHN B. WICKLIFFE.

John B. Wickliffe, who is engaged in the practice of law in the city of Wickliffe and is also the vice president of the Farmers' Bank, represents a family of long and honorable connection with Ballard county, and it was in honor of his father that the county seat was named. Nathaniel Wickliffe, the grandfather, was born in Nelson county, Kentucky, and there spent his entire life. He married Annie Logan, a daughter of Benjamin Logan, and also a member of an old and prominent family. For many years Nathaniel Wickliffe served as clerk of Nelson county. He was a man of wealth and popularity, and was a

leader in public thought and action, largely molding the policy of the community by reason of his force of character and his devotion to the general good.

Colonel Charles Wickliffe, the father of John B. Wickliffe, was born in Bardstown, Nelson county, Kentucky, in 1822, where he was reared and pursued his literary education. He afterward entered the United States Military Academy, at West Point, where he was graduated. Returning to Kentucky, he subsequently became a resident of Ballard county, where he was living at the time of the outbreak of the Mexican war. Offering his services to his country, he was a faithful defender of the nation during the period of hostilities with the Mexican people. When he arrived in Ballard county—then a young man—Colonel Wickliffe purchased an interest in the Logan survey of land, took up his abode thereon, and began the development of a farm adjoining the present site of the city which bears his name. He afterward became a lawyer, and practiced at Blandville, gaining distinction at the bar as one of its most able and learned representatives in this part of the state. He was called to represent the district in the state legislature, being the first person in Ballard county elected to that office on the Democratic ticket. He was also the first county attorney of Ballard county, and was very prominent and influential in public affairs, his labors proving of value in promoting the material upbuilding and permanent development of this part of the state. He was practicing his profession with success here when the war between the north and the south was inaugurated, and putting aside all personal considerations he enlisted in the Confederate army and became colonel of the Seventh Kentucky Regiment. He was acting in that capacity and commanding his regiment when wounded at the battle of Shiloh. He never recovered from his

injury, dying ten days later at the home of Colonel Butler, near Jackson, Tennessee, thus giving his life in defense of the cause and the country he loved.

In 1855 Colonel Wickliffe had married Miss Martha Eugenia Moore, a daughter of Captain John D. Moore, of Ballard county. Four children were born to them, of whom two are living: John B. and Charles, both of whom are residents of the city which was named in their father's honor. The other two children died in infancy. The mother afterward married Dr. T. J. Jenkins, a prominent physician and citizen of Ballard county, now deceased. There is but one living child of this marriage, Octavie, the wife of R. L. Scott, station agent for the Illinois Central Railroad Company at Wickliffe. For her third husband Mrs. Jenkins married W. F. Hawes, a lawyer of Wickliffe, who has also passed away. She is still living in this city at the age of more than sixty years, and is a much beloved woman, her excellent qualities of heart and mind endearing her to those with whom she has come in contact.

In Ballard county John B. Wickliffe was reared, and here he has always lived. He attended the schools of Blandville and continued his studies in Milburn, Kentucky. He began preparation for his profession in the office and under the direction of Judge Samuel H. Jenkins, at Blandville, and later at Wickliffe, when this place became the county seat. On the 4th of August, 1883, Mr. Wickliffe was admitted to the bar, and at once began practice here, where he has since been located. He soon formed a partnership with R. J. Bugg, and this relation was maintained until his partner's election to the circuit bench in January, 1903. He was admitted to practice before the supreme court of the United States in January, 1902. Mr. Wickliffe served for one term as

county attorney of Ballard county, and in the practice of the law he has displayed marked ability, indicating thorough and comprehensive understanding of the principles of jurisprudence, thorough and careful preparation of cases, an analytical mind and forceful logic.

In 1883 Mr. Wickliffe was united in marriage to Miss Lizzie B. Lockhart, a daughter of Dr. D. D. Lockhart, of Ballard county, and formerly of Davis county. He is a popular and valued member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is an ardent and active Democrat. In matters pertaining to the general welfare he is deeply interested, and co-operates in many movements for the public good. During his long residence in the county he has gained a wide and favorable acquaintance, and he certainly merits prominent mention on the pages of western Kentucky's history.

RICHARD J. BARBER.

Richard J. Barber, magistrate and a well and favorably known citizen of Paducah, was born in Halifax county, Virginia, in December of 1839. His parents were Dr. Thomas and Harriet (Maynard) Barber, both natives of the Old Dominion. In 1845 the parents removed from Virginia to west Tennessee, where the father practiced medicine and also became a prominent planter.

Here Richard J. Barber was reared. He was given good educational advantages and obtained a good literary education. It was his father's desire that his son study medicine, and for a time the latter studied medicine. But the medical profession was not to his liking, while merchandising was, and at last the father consented to the son's going behind the counter as a salesman. When the Civil war came on

young Barber espoused the cause of the Confederacy. Imbued with the true southern spirit, and loving the "sunny south" and its institutions, he enlisted in the Confederate army and fought gallantly through that dark and dreadful conflict between the states. In 1861 he enlisted in the Twenty-seventh Tennessee Regiment, Company F, and upon the organization of the company he was made first lieutenant. In 1862 he was promoted to the rank of captain, and for three years shared all the experiences of his regiment, one of the most active in the southern ranks. He was severely wounded at the battle of Shiloh. Two days later he reported for duty, and was again wounded, this time at Farmington, near Corinth, during the siege of Corinth. In 1864 Captain Barber was made a prisoner in west Tennessee and later was paroled. He then became a resident of Paducah, where he engaged in the mercantile business, and was a member of the firm of J. M. White & Company, general merchants. In this undertaking he was prosperous, and for considerable time the firm did an enormous business, but Captain Barber became desirous of entering the wholesale grocery business, severed his connection with J. M. White & Company, and for five years thereafter was a successful wholesale grocer of Paducah. He sold his interest to his partner, and then operated on the tobacco market, part of the time as inspector. Subsequently he engaged in the life insurance business and for several years remained in that line of business, becoming one of the most successful life insurance solicitors and establishing in life insurance circles an enviable reputation. During the years spent in the life insurance business Captain Barber traveled extensively throughout many states in the interest of his business and endured many hardships incident thereto. Desiring a less strenuous life, he quit the life insurance business, returned to his home in Paducah, and soon after-

ward was elected to the office of magistrate, which he has since held, gaining for himself a most complimentary reputation as a magistrate. He is familiarly known by his numerous acquaintances by the title of Major, and he is held in very high regard by all who know him.

He has been a constant reader all his life, and consequently has become a well informed man. In Masonry he is prominent, being a thirty-second degree Mason, and he is recognized as being one of the best informed on the unwritten law and history of the fraternity. In politics he is an uncompromising Democrat and is an active worker in the ranks of his party.

In the city of Paducah, in 1865, Captain Barber married Miss Mamie Anderson, now deceased. The marriage gave issue to two children, Samuel and Lucy, the latter only now living.

GEORGE W. ROBERTSON.

George W. Robertson, a retired merchant of Paducah, was born in Livingston county, Kentucky, in 1836. His parents were George W. and Martha Robertson. His father was born and reared in Kentucky, and his mother, though born in North Carolina, was reared in Kentucky. These parents were very early settlers of Livingston county, Kentucky. The father was a farmer by occupation, and on the farm the subject of this sketch was reared. He was given fair school advantages up to the age of sixteen years, when he quit the schoolroom and the farm to become a salesman in a mercantile establishment at Smithland, the county seat, at that time one of the flourishing and most promising towns of western Kentucky. He clerked only a short time, however. Having a desire to visit the western frontier, Mr. Robertson

went, in 1853, to California, where he spent two years. Returning from the Pacific coast, he located at New Orleans, and there learned photography, and for about twenty years thereafter was engaged in the photographic business. The last eleven years of that period of time he was in business in the city of Paducah.

Quitting that line of business, Mr. Robertson engaged in the grocery business in Paducah, in partnership with Mr. T. J. Atkins. This business was entered into in 1877, and about five years later Mr. Robertson purchased his partner's interest, and for many years thereafter was numbered among the active business men of Paducah.

Mr. Robertson was married in Livingston county, Kentucky, in 1859, to Miss Anna M. Stonebreaker. Six children were born to the marriage, namely: Jefferson B., George H., Charles, Ida, Lulu and Mittie. Mr. Robertson has long been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in politics a Democrat. He has a large acquaintance and is highly respected in Paducah and in his county.

JAMES H. BREWER.

James H. Brewer, one of the leading residents of Graves county, Kentucky, is the son of Peter and Tabitha Brewer, and was born in Wilson county, Tennessee, July 6, 1840. Peter Brewer was born in Wilson county, Tennessee, while his wife was born in Davidson county, Tennessee. The paternal grandfather was William Brewer, born in Davidson county, Tennessee, of Welsh descent, while the maternal grandfather was born in middle Tennessee of Welsh-Irish ancestry. William Brewer, the paternal grandfather, was a soldier in the war of 1812, and fought under General Andrew Jackson, participating in the

battle of New Orleans, and one of his brothers, John, was in the Florida war of 1811. Peter Brewer was a farmer by occupation, and made his home in Wilson county, Tennessee. In politics he was a Whig, and religiously was a member of the Christian church. He died when but fifty years of age, while his wife passed away in April, 1894, aged seventy-six years. Three children were born to them, namely: James H., Sarah, deceased, and William F.

James H. Brewer lived in Wilson county until he was seventeen years of age, and then removed to Graves county with his mother, and has resided there, within six miles of the old homestead, ever since. He chose farming as his life occupation, and now owns a fine farm of one hundred and seventy-eight acres, all well improved and in a high state of cultivation. Starting out in life with no capital, he has worked his way steadily to the front, and is now one of the leading farmers of this locality. In politics he is a Democrat. In religious matters he and his wife are members of the Methodist church, while fraternally he is a member of the Masonic order. From 1880 to 1892 he served most acceptably as a magistrate, with the exception of one term intervening.

On November 20, 1850, he was married to Miss Nancy Mason, who was born in Graves county, Kentucky, and died in 1865. Two children were born of this union, namely: Mary E., who married Calvin R. West; and James I. Mr. Brewer married, in 1868, Miss Martha Crawford, who was born in Graves county, and they have had two children, viz.: William B., who died at the age of twenty-seven years; Onie O., now Mrs. Millard Johnson. Residing with Mr. and Mrs. Brewer is an aunt, Mrs. Fannie E. (Brewer) Pugh, the widow of John R. Pugh, who

was born in Smith county, Tennessee, and died May 5, 1881, in Davidson county, Tennessee, aged sixty years.

Mr. Brewer is noted for his hospitality and kind-heartedness, and is a man of honorable dealings, with friends wherever he is known.

JOHN W. PRITCHETT.

John W. Pritchett, who is now living retired at Hopkinsville, is a native of Hopkins county, Kentucky, having been born here January 19, 1825. He is a member of one of the pioneer families of this locality. Benjamin Pritchett, his father, was a native of Virginia, and when a small boy came from the Old Dominion to Kentucky, with his mother, her location being on a farm in Hopkins county, where he was reared. For years he was engaged in the hotel business in Caldwell and Hopkins counties. His first wife was Mahala Berry. She was born and lived and died in Kentucky. The children of this union were six in number, four sons and two daughters, viz.: James, Mary, John W., Colby, America and Thomas W., and of this number John W. is the only one living. His second wife, whose maiden name was Menerva Bradly, bore him seven children, and by a third marriage he had two children.

John W. Pritchett at the age of nineteen left home and went to Christian county, where he served an apprenticeship at the tanner's trade with Harvey Harrison, his apprenticeship covering a period of three years and his only compensation being his board. Then for three years more he was in the employ of Mr. Harrison, and in 1850 he engaged in the tanner's business on his own account, which he continued for about twenty-six years, after which he retired and moved to Hop-

kinsville. His tannery was located about seven miles northeast of this city.

On moving to Hopkinsville, Mr. Pritchett was engaged in the grocery business for some seven or eight years, and then for three years dealt in leaf tobacco, since when he has lived retired.

Mr. Pritchett married, in Christian county, in 1850, Miss Cora Pennington, a native of this state and a daughter of Morton Pennington. Mrs. Pritchett died January 13, 1897, leaving no children. Fraternally Mr. Pritchett is identified with the Masonic order, and has had membership in good standing in the same for forty years. He is a Democrat in politics and a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

GEORGE W. FARLEY.

George W. Farley, one of the leading citizens of Graves county, and a gentleman widely known and highly esteemed, is the son of William H. and Emily (Miller) Farley, and was born in Calloway county, Kentucky, April 14, 1848. William H. Farley was born in Virginia and his wife in Kentucky. The only information relative to his grandparents in the possession of our subject is the fact that his maternal grandfather was named Samuel Miller. The father of our subject was a farmer, and made his home in Calloway county from the time he was twenty years of age, to which locality he had come from Virginia. In politics he was a Democrat, while his religious affiliations were with the Methodist church. His death occurred in 1888, at the age of sixty years. His wife died in 1893, also aged sixty years. There were eight children in their family, namely: James H., Elizabeth, deceased; George W., Pernecia, Josiah, Rufus T., Alice, Artimiss.

George W. Farley was reared in Calloway county and came to Graves county in 1876, but was educated in the former county. As soon as he finished his school course, he began teaching, and continued along that line for five or six years and then engaged in farming, but for the past fifteen years he has been in the tobacco business. He has one hundred and twenty acres of fine land well improved, although he started out in life a poor man, but by industry and good management he has attained his present prosperity. In politics he is a Republican. Like his father he is a Methodist and takes an active part in its good work. During the Civil war he enlisted at the age of sixteen years, in 1863, in the Union army, and was captured at Paducah by General Forrest.

In 1870 Mr. Farley was married to Miss Ann Eliza Morton, who was born in Calloway county, Kentucky, January 12, 1848. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Farley, namely: Lola, now Mrs. Eugene Horton; Norman Oziar; Worthy C.; Gertie, now Mrs. G. B. Boyd; and Elvie. Mr. and Mrs. Farley are most estimable people, and the success which has attended the efforts of Mr. Farley is certainly well merited.

RODOLPHUS BUKY RATLIFF.

Rodolphus Buky Ratliff, president of the First National Bank of Princeton, Kentucky, was born on Salt river, in Bullitt county, this state, November 10, 1818. His grandfather was a Virginian, and his father, Charles Ratliff, was one of the pioneers of Bullitt county, Kentucky, where his life was passed in agricultural pursuits, and where he died at the age of seventy-five years. In Nelson county, Kentucky, Charles Ratliff married Elizabeth Stone, a native of that county. She

died in Bullitt county at about the age of forty-five years. They were the parents of nine children, six sons and three daughters, R. B. being the eighth in order of birth.

R. B. Ratliff at the age of sixteen left the home farm to learn a trade, and for four years worked at rifle-making in Bardstown. He now has a twenty-dollar gold piece, bearing date of 1801, which he earned by working nights after nine o'clock, while he was learning his trade. At the end of the four years he went to Shepherdsville, where he spent the next four years in making Kentucky rifles, and from there, in 1844, he came to Princeton. His first eight years in Princeton were given to the manufacture of rifles. Then he turned his attention to merchandising. He ran a store, and also at the same time dealt in real estate and bought and sold negroes, horses and mules. He made money and sometimes lost it, but he believed in "Nothing ventured, nothing gained," and on the whole his ventures were successful. He had a wager of five thousand dollars on the election of Zachary Taylor for president, and won. He began his banking operations more than forty years ago, his bank being known as the Farmers' Bank. In 1861, during the uncertain times incident to the opening of the Civil war, he thought it wise to move his deposits in bank to a place of safety. Accordingly, in the dead hours of the night, he loaded one hundred and sixty thousand dollars in gold and silver from the back end of the bank into a wagon, and drove, all night and all the next day, to Russellville, landing in safety and going thence by rail to Louisville, where he deposited his treasure. Being a Union man, it was unpleasant and at times unsafe for Mr. Ratliff at Princeton. At one time he was compelled to leave the place and remain away for three months. He continued merchandising until 1870, when he sold his store. All

these years he was also interested more or less in farming, and he still carries on farming operations, being the owner of four hundred acres of land. A part of this land is in the corporate limits of Princeton. Also he has other real estate here, including several dwellings which he rents.

When the First National Bank in Princeton was organized, Mr. Ratliff, being the largest stockholder, was made president, and this position he has since retained, the other officers of the bank being H. M. Jones, vice president, and Edward Garrett, cashier. This bank has a capital stock of seventy-five thousand dollars and a surplus of fifty thousand dollars.

Mr. Ratliff is to-day ranked as the largest taxpayer in the county, and is said to have more ready cash than any other man in the county. When he started in business here at Princeton, he was not only without capital, but he was several hundred dollars in debt, and his success in life may be attributed to his own good management, his industry and his sobriety. He has never been known to drink a drop of whiskey, beer or wine in the last sixty or more years. He has been a prominent factor in the development of the county, was interested in securing its railroad facilities, and in his prime took an active part in politics. During the Civil war he was county sheriff. On three different occasions he was a candidate for Congress, and was candidate for state auditor on the ticket with John M. Harlan, now chief justice of the United States; and with his party suffered defeat.

Mr. Ratliff was married in 1846 to Mary J. Knight, a native of Bullitt county, Kentucky, who shared the joys and sorrows of life with him for half a century, her death occurring in 1896. To them were born six children, five sons and one daughter, viz.: Albert G., a resi-

dent of Missouri; George, a resident of Parsons, Kansas; Charles, engaged in the hardware business at Princeton, Kentucky; William and James, who reside with their father and look after the farming operations; and Laura, wife of Thomas J. Landrum, of Princeton.

THOMAS J. WATKINS.

For almost forty years Thomas Jefferson Watkins has practiced law in Eddyville, being one of the distinguished representatives of the profession in Lyon county. He was born October 4, 1838, upon a farm in what is now Lyon county, his parents being Thomas G. and Nancy (Dyer) Watkins. His father's birth occurred in Franklin county, Kentucky, near the city of Frankfort, September 4, 1798, and he was a son of Samuel and Mary Watkins, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of North Carolina. Coming to this state they located in Franklin county, whence they afterward removed to Maury county, Tennessee, in the year 1806. About 1814 they again came to Kentucky and located within the present border of Lyon county, where they spent their remaining days, he devoting his energies to the occupation of farming, which he made his life work. To him and his wife were born three sons, John, Thomas G. and Washington, all now deceased. There were also three daughters in the family, and they have likewise passed away.

Thomas G. Watkins accompanied his parents on their various removals, and was about sixteen years of age when the family came to what is now Lyon county. Here he attained his majority and afterward turned his attention to farming, which he always followed in order to provide for his family. He wedded Miss Nancy Dyer, who was

born in Trigg county, Kentucky, in 1806, and was a daughter of John Dyer, one of the early settlers of that county. Both Mr. and Mrs. Watkins were devoted members of the Methodist church, and they reared their family in that faith. The father gave his political support to the Democracy. He died at the home of our subject in Eddyville, in December, 1873, and his wife passed away in Lyon county, in 1860. They were the parents of the following children: John, now deceased, Mrs. Addie White, a widow; Mrs. Alvina McDonald, who has also lost her husband; Linn Boyd, who was a lawyer of Louisiana and rose to prominence on the supreme bench of that state, serving in that position at the time of his demise; Thomas J.; and Elvira, deceased.

Thomas J. Watkins acquired his preliminary education in the public schools, and supplemented it by study in Princeton, Kentucky, and McLemoresville, Tennessee. He then took up the study of law with the intention of making its practice his life work, and was admitted to the bar in 1865, since which time he has practiced in Eddyville, soon winning distinction as a capable member of the bar, a position which he has never forfeited in the least. In 1870 he was elected on the Democratic ticket to the position of county judge, and served continuously in that office for twenty years.

In Alabama, in 1861, Mr. Watkins was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Arnold. They lost their eldest daughter, Willie Wilson, when she was thirty-eight years of age. Helen, the second daughter, is the wife of R. S. Lander, of Eddyville. Maud is the wife of Edward Robb, of Perryville, Missouri, member of Congress from his district. The family have an attractive home in Eddyville, and Mr. Watkins also owns the farm upon which he was born and which has been in possession of the family for ninety years. He is widely known in his native county

as a leading and influential citizen, honored because of an upright life. The practice of law has been his real life work, and at the bar and on the bench he has won marked distinction. A man of unimpeachable character, of strong intellectual endowments and with a thorough understanding of the law, he took to the bench high qualification for this responsible position in the state government, and his record as a judge was in harmony with his record as a man and lawyer, characterized by unswerving integrity and a masterful grasp of every problem presented for solution.

HON. HENRY GEORGE.

Hon. Henry George, one of the distinguished men of western Kentucky, is a native and resident of Graves county. Mr. George was born March 2, 1847, the son of a farmer, and on the farm he grew to manhood, his duties being such as fall to the lot of a farmer's son. His parents were Brinkley and Elizabeth (Golden) George. His father died in 1860, aged seventy-seven, and his mother died in 1853, when fifty-two years of age.

Thus Mr. George was only six years of age when his mother died, and thirteen when his father died. When the Civil war came on he had just passed his fourteenth year of his life. November 5, 1861, when not yet fifteen, he enlisted in the Confederate army, Company A, Seventh Kentucky Regiment, and served until the close of the war. He participated in the battles of Shiloh, siege of Vicksburg, Port Hudson, Baker's Creek, Jackson, Corinth, and after the regiment became a mounted infantry under General Forrest, he participated in the battles of Paducah, Brice's Cross Roads, Harrisburg and Oxford, and then at Athens, Sulphur Trestle and Pulaski. The regiment was with Hood at Spring Hill,

Franklin, Nashville, Monter Valley, and Selma. Besides these battles Mr. George took part in many dangerous skirmishes. He was wounded three times, but not seriously, and was taken prisoner at Selma; confined eight days and then made his escape and immediately rejoined the command of General Forrest.

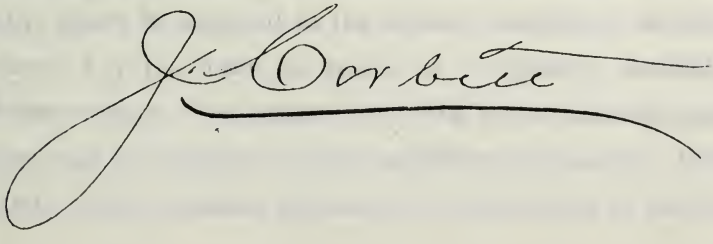
The war closed, Mr. George returned to the house of his brother in Graves county, and for two years thereafter worked at farming and attended school. He then secured a teacher's license and taught school two terms. He engaged in merchandising at Dukedom. In 1872 he removed to Wingo, where he continued merchandising and established an extensive business, later becoming interested in farming also.

In politics Mr. George is an ardent Democrat, and he has been for years a leader in his party. He has held several positions of honor, including representative in the lower branch of the state legislature and also in the state senate, being now state senator from his district. He represented Graves county in the legislature of 1877 and 1878, and first became state senator in 1879. During his services as a legislator he has left the impress of his wisdom as a statesman on much legislation in Kentucky.

Mr. George was married in 1871 to Miss Martha Galloway, daughtel of David M. and Martha Galloway.

JACOB CORBETT.

Through many years the name of Corbett has figured conspicuously and honorably in connection with the official history of Kentucky. Our subject, his father and grandfather have been honored with various positions of public trust and responsibility, and have taken an active



and beneficial part in molding the policy of county and commonwealth. Over the record of their public careers there falls no shadow of wrong or suspicion of evil, their capability and fidelity to duty being such as to win for them admiration and high regard.

Jacob Corbett, the grandfather, a native of Virginia, removed to Hickman county, Kentucky, at an early date in its development, and not only aided in its material improvement but also discharged various public services in a most commendable manner. For some time he was deputy county clerk there. In 1842 he removed to what is now Ballard county and was the first county clerk. So loyal was he to the trust reposed in him that he filled the position for nearly forty years, being re-elected for many consecutive terms. He married Elizabeth Sumner, a native of South Carolina, and to them were born two sons and five daughters. Jacob Corbett was a man of great force of character, of keen foresight and marked energy, qualities which were exerted in behalf of the general good as well as for his personal advancement and success. He died in Blandville about 1886, at the advanced age of eighty-three years.

Thomas H. Corbett, the father of our subject, was born in Hickman county, Kentucky, January 8, 1830, and was educated in the old Kentucky Military Institute, near Frankfort. When a young man he began the practice of law in Blandville, where he continued in active connection with the profession until 1876, when he removed to Paducah, Kentucky, where he engaged in the tobacco commission business for a few years. For ten terms he served in the general assembly, being elected first in 1855. He became one of the active working members of the house, and his opinions carried weight in its councils. He made a close study of the questions affecting the weal or woe of the state, and

left the impress of his individuality and patriotic spirit upon the legislation enacted during his service as representative. In 1887 he was nominated and elected register of the land office for the state of Kentucky, serving in that position for four years, after four years' service as deputy there. In 1893 he was appointed by President Cleveland as receiver of the land office at Guthrie, Oklahoma, and, after acting in that capacity for four years, returned to Kentucky and was appointed register of the land office by the state auditor, serving in that office at the time of his death. At about the time of the outbreak of the Civil war he was elected commonwealths' attorney, but did not serve during the full term, as he was strongly in favor of the Confederacy. As has been indicated, his political support was always given the Democracy, and throughout the whole of his public service he labored with conscientious fidelity for what he believed to be the best interest of the state and its people. His sincerity was never called in question, and he commanded the respect of even his political enemies.

In early manhood Thomas H. Corbett wedded Rebecca H. Coil, a daughter of Adam and Dorcas A. (Morrow) Coil, who were of Virginian birth. Both Mr. and Mrs. Corbett were devoted member of the Christian Church, and he also belonged to the Masonic fraternity. His death occurred in Frankfort, May 9, 1902, and thus passed away one who had figured prominently in public affairs for many years, and who left behind him an untarnished reputation. His wife is now living in Frankfort. They were the parents of nine children, of whom Jacob Corbett is the second. The eldest died in infancy, as did the third, fourth and eight members of the family. The fifth is Hal S. Corbett, a lawyer of prominence in Spokane, Washington; and James L. is residing with his mother, who is now sixty-seven years of age.

Jacob Corbett was reared and educated in Blandville, and from 1869 until 1873 he served as a page in the Kentucky house of representatives. He studied law under the direction of the Hon. James D. White, of Blandville, and in July, 1878, was admitted to the bar. He has served as city attorney of Blandville, and has been prominent in political circles. He acted as private secretary to Governor Blackburn during that gentleman's entire service as chief executive of the state, and was also private secretary of J. Proctor Knott during six months of his term in the gubernatorial chair. He also served as secretary of the first Kentucky state board of equalization, and was enrolling clerk during one session of the house of representatives, and also sergeant at arms during one session. During one year he was deputy in the office of the state land register, and thus again and again has he been called to public service by those who recognize his capability and appreciate his thorough devotion to the general good and to the trust reposed in him. He has also labored earnestly and effectively for the welfare of his party, and was secretary of the Democratic state central committee in 1888. From 1893 until 1896 he was cashier in the government land office in Guthrie, Oklahoma, and then resigned in order to engage in the practice of law in Spokane, Washington, where he remained until 1898, when he returned to Kentucky, locating in Wickliffe for the practice of law. In 1901 he was elected county prosecuting attorney, in which position he is now serving, being a faithful custodian of the legal interests of the county.

In 1893 Mr. Corbett was married to Mrs. Emma V. Smith, *nee* McDonald, a native of Milan, Tennessee. They reside upon a farm about a mile and a half from Wickliffe, and Mr. Corbett is engaged in practical farming, in connection with the practice of law. He belongs

to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and to the Knight of Pythias fraternity, and also holds membership in the Christian Church. Fortunate is the man who comes of an honorable and distinguished ancestry. Mr. Corbett has been so blessed, and in character and in talents he is a worthy scion of his race. His own career has reflected credit upon the family name which had previously become associated with the records of honorable service in Kentucky.

HON. J. E. ROBBINS.

Hon. J. E. Robbins, ex-circuit court judge and one of the most prominent of Kentucky lawyers and jurists, is a resident of the city of Mayfield and a native of Graves county. Judge Robbins was born August 4, 1854. He is a son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Shelton) Robbins. The father was born in Humphreys county, Tennessee, and died in Graves county, Kentucky, February 14, 1873, aged sixty-two years. The mother was born in Butler county, Kentucky, and came to Graves county with her parents in childhood. Her father later removed to Weakley county, Tennessee, and became a Primitive Baptist preacher.

Hon. J. E. Robbins was reared on the farm, and after obtaining a fair literary education took up the study of law. He began his professional career in 1878, at Mayfield. He soon gained a good clientage and the reputation of being an able lawyer. He was elected county judge, and in 1897 was elected judge of the circuit court for the first judicial district. He served acceptably as circuit judge till January, 1903, when he resigned to resume the practice of law in Mayfield.

In politics he is a leader among Democrats. He and wife are mem-

bers of the Christian church. He was married in 1879 to Miss Eva Chowning.

GUS G. COULTER.

Gus G. Coulter, ex-state auditor and a leading politician of Kentucky, and ex-county clerk of Graves county, was born in Marshall county, Kentucky, August 15, 1861. He is a son of C. C. and Belle (Archer) Coulter. His father was a farmer, a lawyer and once served as circuit clerk of Marshall county.

Gus G. Coulter was reared on the farm in the main, gained a fair education, and in 1880 became deputy county clerk, by appointment, of Graves county; was subsequently elected county commissioner and then county clerk. In 1885 he became chief clerk of the state board of equalization. As state auditor his official record has placed him high among the most capable state officials who have ever served the great commonwealth of Kentucky. He is a Democrat and has long been high in the councils of his party.

DR. S. J. MATHEWS.

Dr. S. J. Mathews, physician and surgeon of Mayfield, was born in Robertson county, Tennessee, March 23, 1835. His parents were Thomas B. and Fannie (Powell) Mathews. The father was born in the same county and state and died in 1864, aged sixty-seven years. The mother was born in North Carolina, and died in 1860, aged sixty years.

Dr. Mathews was reared on his father's farm, and at the age of eighteen accepted a clerical position in a store at Springfield, which he held for three years. In the fall of 1856 he opened a store at Turners-

ville, which he conducted till 1859, when he returned to Springfield, where, in partnership with a brother, he merchandised till the breaking out of the Civil war. He then commenced the study of medicine, and after reading two years he attended medical lectures at the Nashville Medical College. He began the practice of medicine in Graves county, Kentucky, but did not locate in Mayfield till 1877, since when he has resided here, now being one of the oldest practitioners of the county.

Dr. Mathews was married December 21, 1858, to Miss Lou T. Morrow, of Montgomery county, Tennessee. She died December 5, 1859, leaving one daughter, Lou, who married E. T. Taylor. The Doctor's second marriage took place November 21, 1861, when he wedded Miss Nannie P. Bush, of Graves county. She died May 30, 1878, leaving six children, two sons and four daughters. December 12, 1878, Dr. Mathews married Miss Alice R. Boaz, also a native of Graves county.

Dr. Mathews is esteemed for his merits both as a physician and citizen, and his career has been a useful one.

RICHARD G. TERRELL.

Richard G. Terrell, wholesale grocer of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in Ballard county, Kentucky, April 14, 1844. His parents were Thomas F. and Mary (Fletcher) Terrell. His paternal grandfather was Chiles Terrell, a practical surveyor, who came from Virginia to McCracken county, Kentucky, as early as 1826, with his son J. H. Terrell, then eleven years of age, and surveyed a large portion of the land in said county. Chiles Terrell was no ordinary man. He was highly educated. After doing the above mentioned surveying he returned to Virginia, and in the year 1827 he removed to Louisville, Kentucky, and

in 1828 was professor of mathematics in the Jefferson Seminary. He came to McCracken county in 1830, and died here in 1851, aged seventy-one years. He married Mary C. Upshaw, who died in 1836.

Their son, Thomas F. Terrell, was born in Richmond, Virginia, but was reared on a farm in Jefferson and McCracken counties, Kentucky, in both of which counties his father farmed in his latter days. Thomas F. Terrell was born January 13, 1820. When twenty-three years of age he married and settled in Ballard county, of which county he served as sheriff, and which he afterward represented in the legislature. In 1856 he removed to Paducah and there became a prominent business man and esteemed citizen.

Richard G. Terrell was educated in Paducah and at the Washington and Lee University, of Virginia. In 1868, in connection with W. H. Bradley, he embarked in the produce and seed business in Paducah, and four years later succeeded to the ownership of the entire business. His business gradually increased, agricultural implements were added, and then groceries, and to-day he ranks among the leading wholesale grocers of Kentucky.

In 1873 Mr. Terrell married Miss Mildred, daughter of Colonel Thomas J. Pickett. In his home and domestic relations Mr. Terrell is a beloved husband and father, among business men he is esteemed for his sapient business qualities, and by his fellow citizens he is held in high regard in consequence of his genial deportment and real worth as a progressive and public-spirited citizen.

BENJAMIN F. WYATT.

Benjamin F. Wyatt was born in Trigg county, Kentucky, December 14, 1856. He is the sixth of a family of eight children born to Henry and Martha (Dyer) Wyatt, who are now among the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Graves county, Kentucky, to which county they removed from Trigg county more than forty years ago. These parents were born in the state of Virginia and are of English ancestry. He was a son of Harry Wyatt, and she was a daughter of Joel Dyer. After living a good many years in Trigg county our subject's parents removed to Graves county and settled not far distant from Mayfield, and here they have continued to reside, he now being eighty-five years old and she seventy-six. The father's life pursuit has been farming. He and his good wife have lived long and useful lives, and for years both have been members of the Missionary Baptist church.

To this worthy couple were born the following children: Joseph F., a farmer and resident of Graves county; Mary Ann, widow of Jackson Horgrove; Mary Frances, widow of John Smith; Rol. W., farmer and resident of Graves county; Susan Elizabeth, wife of Jack Smith, of the same county; Benjamin F.; Cornelia, wife of Andrew Clark; and Nannie, wife of Lige Fuller.

When his parents came to Graves county, Benjamin F. Wyatt was then about three years of age. He was reared on the farm, and to his lot fell the tasks and duties common to the farm youth. He went to the country schools short terms in winters, and gained a fair education, and in the summer seasons he worked in the field, thus contributing to his own support and that of the family. He remained under the parental roof until he was past twenty-one years of age. He was married in

1878, and it was then that he settled down and began life in earnest. He married a most estimable lady in the person of Miss Santafee Brown. She was born and reared in Calloway county, Kentucky. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt have been born ten children, namely: Oina, now Mrs. John Clark; Guy; Ruby, now Mrs. William C. Martin; Marie E.; Elma; Virgil; Iva; Eva; Viera; and Leora, all of whom are living. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt are members of the Missionary Baptist church, and are respected for their excellent Christian lives and for the beautiful example of pious living their lives present.

Mr. Wyatt has always followed farming as an occupation, and he has met with fair business success in life. He began life with limited means, but now possesses a good and well improved farm, and is to-day among the leading farmers and progressive citizens of his county.

WILLIAM L. MOSBY, M. D.

So great has been the advance made in the science of medicine that the results accomplished by representatives of the profession seem almost phenomenal, but the broader knowledge has been acquired only after the most painstaking, thorough and comprehensive investigation and research, and to-day the man who is a successful practitioner must be a most earnest and appreciative student, continually adding to his professional knowledge through wide reading, and assimilating this knowledge for the benefit of his fellow men. One of the most capable and successful physicians and surgeons of Carlisle county is Dr. William L. Mosby, who for almost twenty years has practiced in Bardwell.

He was born upon a farm near Bardwell, in Carlisle county, November 30, 1861. His paternal grandfather was Daniel Mosby, a native

of Virginia, and who when a lad accompanied his parents on their removal to Boone county, Kentucky, where he was reared to manhood. He became an early settler of what is now McCracken county, this state, and afterward removed to Carlisle county, where he spent his remaining days, dying at the advanced age of eighty-five years. He was a farmer by occupation, and was active and influential in pioneer times, taking a helpful part in promoting the best interests of the county and in shaping its early policy in accord with principles of progress, improvement and permanent benefit. The first court ever held in Ballard county following the organization of the county convened in his tobacco barn, and Mr. Mosby served as county sheriff. His children were as follows: William W., the father of our subject; Robert, of Missouri; Jack, who was killed in the Confederate army; Mrs. Betty Ashworth, of Bardwell; James, deceased; Daniel, who is living in Arlington, Kentucky; and Mrs. Sallie Elsey, of Carlisle county.

William W. Mosby was born in McCracken county, Kentucky, near Paducah, on the 19th of April, 1825, and has now passed the seventy-eighth milestone on life's journey. After arriving at years of maturity he was married in Carlisle county to Miss Matilda F. Berry, who was born in this county in 1835 and is also yet living. Her parents were early settlers of Carlisle county, casting in their lot with the residents here when they were surrounded by pioneer conditions and environments. To Mr. and Mrs. Mosby have been born the following named: James, who died about sixteen years ago; Jackie, who died at the age of seventeen years; Robert, who is a resident farmer of Carlisle county; William L.; Lee, who is a farmer of Carlisle county; Bedford, who also carries on agricultural pursuits here; Mrs. Sallie Elsey, of Bardwell; and Mrs. Minnie Stanley, of Arlington. Throughout his business

career William W. Mosby followed farming and stock-raising, and in his work has been very successful, so that now in the evening of life he has a comfortable competence which supplies him with all the necessities and many of the comforts that go to make life worth the living. He and his wife are excellent people of the highest respectability, and their lives are in harmony with their faith as members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. They reside in Bardwell.

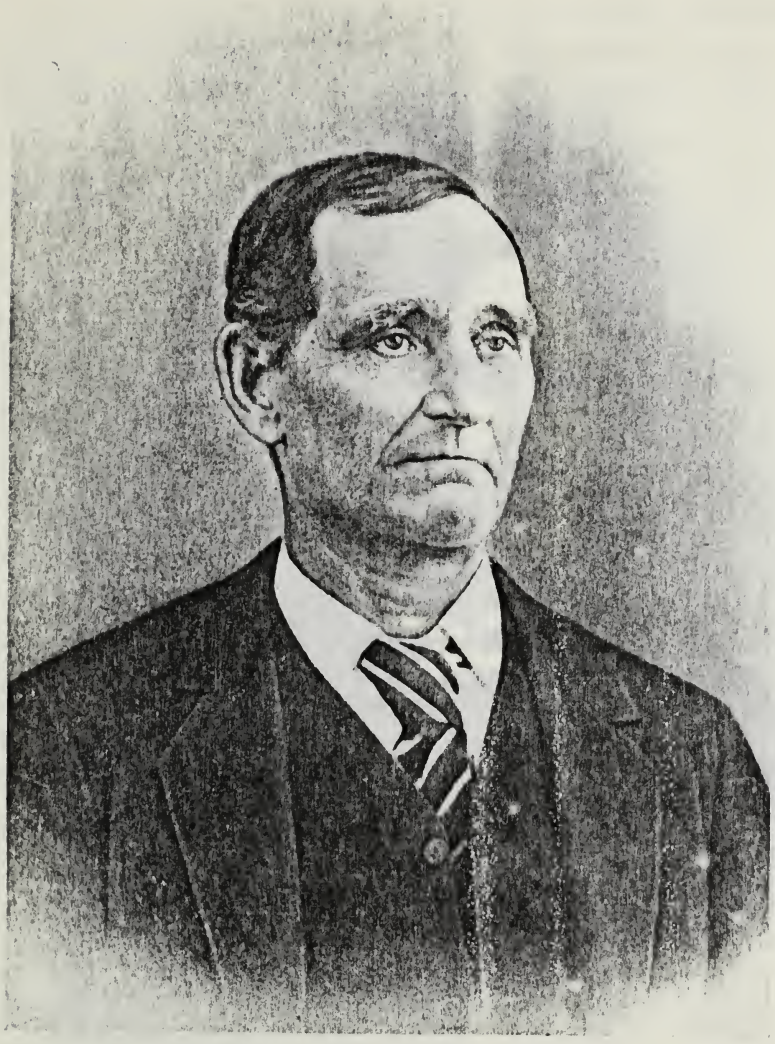
William Lindsay Mosby was reared upon a farm and acquired his literary education in the public schools of Carlisle county and in Milburn Academy. He began the study of medicine when seventeen years of age, under the direction of Dr. John R. Owen, of Arlington, Kentucky, and afterward matriculated in the Missouri Medical College of St. Louis, where he was graduated in the class of 1883. He has since pursued post-graduate work in the same school and also in post-graduate schools of St. Louis and of Chicago. His first year's practice was spent at Arlington, Kentucky, and in October, 1884, he came to Bardwell, where he has since lived. He is a member of the Carlisle County Medical Society, of which he has served as president. He also belongs to the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, to the Kentucky State Medical Association, the American Medical Association and the International Association of Railway Surgeons, being entitled to membership in the last named organization because he is local surgeon for the Illinois Central Railroad. For years he has been a member of the county board of health and has been medical examiner for a number of insurance companies. His private practice is extensive, and from the beginning of his residence here his patronage has steadily increased and is now of a most important character. He is well versed in the science of medicine in its

various branches, and his large business is indicative of the confidence reposed in him by the public.

In 1885 was celebrated the marriage of Dr. Mosby and Miss Mattie Pauline Petrie, a daughter of Dr. J. S. and Lucy A. (Henderson) Petrie, formerly of Cairo, Illinois, but now of Bardwell, Kentucky. Her parents were both natives of Kentucky, her father having been born in Todd county and her mother in Ballard county. Mrs. Mosby was also born in Ballard county, and by her marriage has become the mother of two children: William Eugene and Hazel Petrie. Both the Doctor and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal church, and he is connected through membership relations with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His political support is given to the Democracy, but he has no time or inclination to seek public office, preferring to devote his energies to his chosen calling. His deep interest in his profession arises both from a love of scientific research and of his fellow men. His sympathetic nature and genial manner, combined with his broad and comprehensive knowledge, have won him distinction as a most able practitioner.

ABRAM HOGANCAMP.

No history of Carlisle county would be complete without mention of Abram Hogancamp, for he is one of its most venerable citizens, and his residence here covers a long period, antedating that of most other pioneer settlers. He can remember when the deer roamed through the forests in large numbers, and when many kinds of lesser game were to be had in abundance. When he settled here trees were uncut, the rivers and creeks unbridged, and the work of improvement had scarcely been begun.



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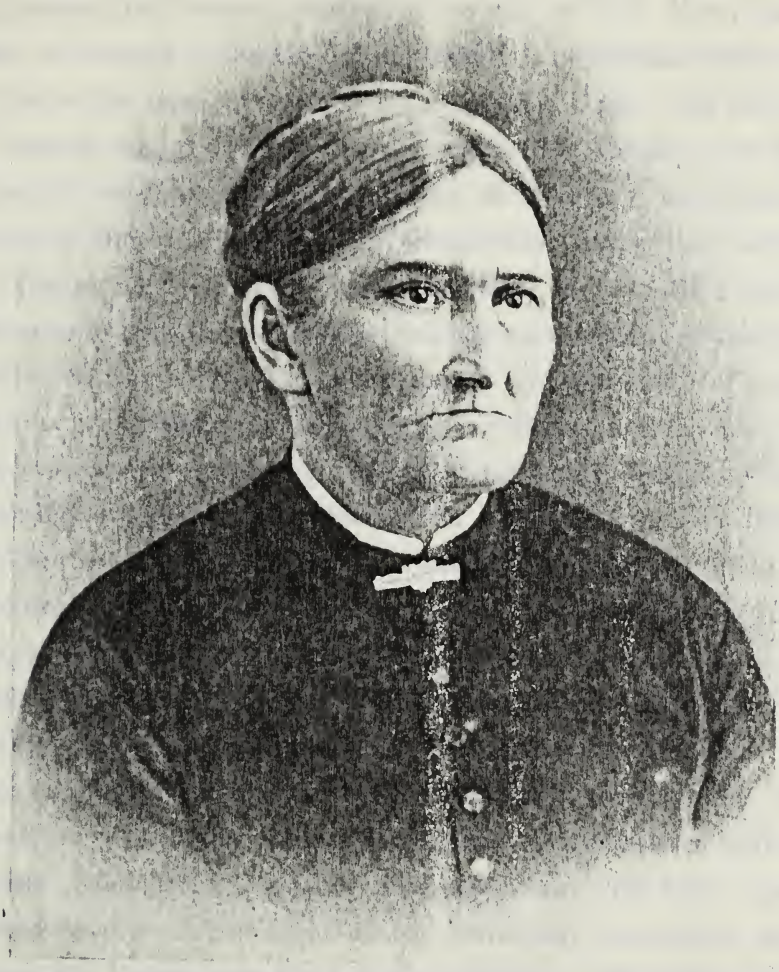

MRS. ABRAM HOGANCAMP.

Mr. Hogancamp was born in Neville (formerly Nevilville), Ohio, on the 6th of September, 1819, a son of Martinus and Mary (Boone) Hogancamp, the former a native of the state of New York, and the latter of Vermont. The Hogancamp family is of German descent, and the first of the name in America settled in New York. The mother of our subject was of English descent, and was a grandniece of Daniel Boone, the original pioneer and explorer of Kentucky, who opened up this great state to the advance of civilization. After their marriage Mr. Hogancamp's parents removed from New York to Ohio, and still later came to Kentucky, settling in Campbell county, taking up their abode there when Abram Hogancamp was only a few weeks old. The father was a hatter by trade, but also engaged in farming, and for many years thus provided for his family. In 1833 the family decided to remove to western Kentucky, and started down the Ohio river on a flatboat, intending to settle at Paducah. Just below Cincinnati, the father being in ill health, left his family and returned to the latter city for medical treatment, and died there. The family, accompanied by the mother's brother, came on down the Ohio to their destination. They found that Paducah was but a mere hamlet, containing only three houses. They made their way to Putney's Bend, where they arrived on the 9th of March, 1833, and they settled in what is now the western portion of Carlisle county, once a part of Hickman county and later a part of Ballard county. About eight or ten years later the mother married George W. Reeves, who lived in the locality in which she made her settlement. She remained a resident of this county until 1863, when she passed away, being about seventy-two years of age at the time of her death. By her first marriage she had nine children who reached years of maturity, and Abram Hogancamp, who was the second in

order of birth, is the only one now living. By her second marriage there were no children.

Abram Hogancamp was about fourteen years of age when his mother came to western Kentucky, and thus he has lived here for many years, covering more than two-thirds of a century. Since that time he has been dependent upon his own resources for a living, and that he has prospered in his undertakings is indicated by the fine farm which he owns. When about twenty-five years of age he became a pilot on the Mississippi river, and followed that calling until 1890, for forty-five years. He became a well known figure on the river, known to the owners of many vessels and their crews, and a feeling of safety was with all those who knew that Mr. Hogancamp was at the helm. He came to know the river in all its sinuous turns, as the farmer boy does the country lane which he daily traverses. At length he determined to leave the river altogether, and in 1890 gave up piloting and returned to his farm, and has since devoted his time to farming only. Throughout the intervening years he had continued to make Carlisle county his home, settling on his present farm in 1843. It is pleasantly situated about two miles from Bardwell, and for over sixty years has been his place of residence. When he took up his abode here it was in the midst of the dense forest, at a point where there was a splendid "deer stand." Then deer and other wild animals and game were very plentiful, and venison was a very common dish upon his table.

In 1840 Mr. Hogancamp married Miss Susan Hoagland, who died fourteen months later, and in 1842 he wedded Miss Patsy Jane Moyres, who has been to him a faithful companion and helpmate on life's journey. She was born in what is now Carlisle county, on the 13th of March, 1822. Her father, John Moyres, was among the first settlers

of this locality, coming here from the vicinity of Bowling Green, Kentucky. To Mr. and Mrs. Hogancamp have been born eight children: William Martinus, Adella Frances, Joseph E., George W., Lucretia, John, Anna and Robert T. All except the youngest, who resides in California, are yet residents of Carlisle county, residing in the vicinity of the parental home.

Mr. Hogancamp is certainly one of the revered patriarchs of this community, and yet he bears his age lightly, and in vigor and in interests seems a much younger man than one who has reached the eighty-fourth milestone on life's journey. He is widely known throughout all his section of country as "Uncle Abe." In his youth he had very few advantages, educational or otherwise, and, not wishing his children to be deprived of such opportunities, he has enabled them to attend school and acquire good educations. Mr. Hogancamp has found in his wife a most helpful and able companion. In the early days she carded, spun and wove the wool into clothing for the family, and with her husband met all the hardships and difficulties of pioneer life. As the years passed, through their industry and economy, they gained a handsome competence and Mr. Hogancamp is now the owner of five hundred acres of valuable land. In early life he gave his political support to the Whig party, and on its dissolution became one of the stanch advocates of the Democratic party. Both he and his wife are devoted members of the Missionary Baptist Church, and he has taken a very active part in church work. He has ever been a man of strong force of character, fearless in defense of what he believes to be right, and he has commanded the respect of those who have regard for upright character and fidelity to principle. Among the portraits appearing in this Memorial Record are those of our worthy subject and his wife.

HON. JAMES DEMPSEY WHITE.

Hon. James Dempsey White, ex-judge of the court of appeals of Kentucky, was formerly a resident of Bardwell, but now makes his home in Frankfort. This state has always been distinguished for the high rank of her bench and bar, and prominent among the able lawyers of the present generation who have won honor and fame, and at the same time have honored the state to which they belong, is Judge White.

A native of Hickman county, Kentucky, he was born in 1831, a son of the Rev. Willis White, who was a native of North Carolina, and on coming to Kentucky located in Caldwell county. Subsequently he made his home in Hickman county, and still later in Ballard county, whence he afterward returned to Hickman county, settling in Clinton, the county seat, where he served as superintendent of schools. He was for many years a prominent minister of the Baptist church, and was no less active and distinguished in the cause of education, thus leaving the impress of his individuality upon the intellectual and moral progress of the communities in which his lot was cast. He was the founder of the Baptist college at Clinton, known as Clinton College, and it became a power for good as a means of Christian education in this part of the state. Rev. White spent his last days in Clinton, where his memory is yet honored and cherished, remaining as a blessed benediction to those who knew him. His wife was a most estimable lady, and was no less ardent as a follower of the Baptist church than he.

It will thus be seen that it was amid the refining influences of a cultured Christian home that Judge White was reared. His parents desired that he should be well fitted for the duties of life, and it was

the son's privilege to gain a good literary education in his youth. He then turned his attention to the study of law, and after sufficiently mastering the principles of jurisprudence was admitted to the bar, locating, just prior to the Civil war, at Blandville, Kentucky, where he entered upon his professional career, which has been one of pleasing success. In 1870 he was elected to fill out an unexpired term as common pleas judge, and in 1873 he was regularly elected to the office for a full term. On the expiration of that term, in 1879, he resumed the private practice of law in Blandville, where he continued to reside until 1891, when he changed his place of residence to Bardwell, the county seat of the then recently organized county of Carlisle.

In politics Judge White has ever been an ardent Democrat, and in 1880 was chosen a presidential elector, voting for Hancock and English. Throughout the entire period of his manhood he has been active in politics, regarding it the duty as well as the privilege of the citizen to express his preference on political matters, and thus advance what he believes to be the welfare of county, state and nation. In 1896 Mr. White became the choice of his party for the candidacy for judge of the court of appeals from the first appellate district, and was elected in the fall of that year to fill out an unexpired term. He served for six years and one month in the office, and since his retirement from the bench has made his home in Frankfort, where he now has a large private practice. Few lawyers have made a more lasting impression upon the bar of the state, both for legal ability of a high order and for the individuality of a personal character which impresses itself upon a community.

Judge White has been twice married. He first wedded Mary Ellen Coil, a native of Virginia, who died in 1875. For his second wife he

chose Mrs. Mary A. Utterback, *nee* Juett. There are no children by the second marriage, while of the first union four were born: William T., a lawyer of Wickliffe, Kentucky; Willis J., a lawyer and manufacturer of Bardwell; Florence, the wife of W. A. Stephens, a merchant of Bardwell, and Samuel Jacob, also of the same city.

Judge White is a Knight Templar Mason and also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his life exemplifies the principles of these noble fraternities. His career has been one of activity, of success, and, above all, beyond reproach. He is a man of excellent traits of character, brave and manly, sincere and outspoken, gentle in manner, yet firm in the discharge of his duty. He has gained a high place in the profession by hard work and by evidencing his ability to fill the positions with which the people have entrusted him.

WILLIS JOSHUA WHITE.

Willis J. White, the second son of the Hon. James Dempsey and Mary Ellen (Coil) White, was born in Blandville, Kentucky, July 14, 1865, and was there reared and educated. Under his father's direction, having completed his literary course, he took up the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1890. Since 1889 he has resided in Bardwell, where he began his professional career, and from 1897 until 1901 he was county attorney of Carlisle county. While he is a successful practitioner, he is also interested in other business, and since 1900 has been an active stockholder in the Bardwell Heading & Stave Company, of which he is the president. This enterprise has met with marked success. Socially he is connected with both the Masonic fraternity and with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

BENJAMIN T. HUEY.

Benjamin Thomas Huey, who is now serving as circuit clerk for Carlisle county and makes his home in Bardwell, was born on a farm in this county, April 23, 1871, his parents being Jeremiah and Martha Priscilla (Bennett) Huey. His paternal grandparents were John and Letticia (Brandon) Huey. The grandfather was born in Kentucky and was an early settler of what is now Carlisle county. He is now deceased, but his widow is still living at the advanced age of ninety-four years. She celebrated the anniversary of her birth on the 9th day of April, 1903. She is still hale and hearty, and lives in Carlisle county. She was born in Tennessee, a daughter of William Brandon, an early settler of what is now Carlisle county, where he lived for many years. Mrs. John Huey was the mother of three sons and a daughter: William, now deceased; Susanna, the widow of John M. Hobbs and a resident of Carlisle county; Jeremiah and James, both deceased.

Jeremiah Huey, the father of our subject, was born in Carlisle county, Kentucky, October 4, 1845, and passed away here on the 6th of January, 1902. His wife, who is still living in this county, was born here May 24, 1847, a daughter of John Bennett, a native of Virginia. To Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Huey were born ten children: Ella, Letticia, John W., Benjamin T., Barbara Susan, Dixie D., Rhoda J., Maybelle, Lizzie and Emma D., all of whom are yet living. The father of this family was a farmer by occupation, and thus provided a comfortable living for his wife and children. Both Mr. and Mrs. Huey were members of the Missionary Baptist church, and in its faith reared their children, who have also become members of that denomination.

Upon the home farm Benjamin T. Huey was reared, and there

remained until twenty-one years of age. He gained a fair education, attending the district schools until thirteen years of age, and after he had reached his majority he spent five years in teaching and attending school alternately. In the fall of 1897 he was elected circuit clerk of Carlisle county, as the Democratic candidate, and in the spring of 1903 was made the candidate of the party for re-election, having no opposition. He has always been a stanch supporter of the men and measures of the Democratic party.

In his fraternal relations Mr. Huey is a Master Mason, and he also holds membership relations with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was married in 1898 to Miss Mary Terry, a daughter of W. H. and Mary Terry, of Carlisle county, where Mrs. Huey was born. Mr. and Mrs. Huey now have two children: Horace Thomas and Henry Jeremiah. Having always lived in this county, they are well known and occupy an enviable position in social circles where true worth and intelligence are received as the passports into good society.

DR. JOSEPH W. THOMPSON.

Dr. Joseph W. Thompson, deceased, was for years a leading physician and surgeon of the city of Paducah, where he was esteemed for his professional knowledge and skill and beloved for his many sterling traits of character as a man.

He was born in Graves county, Kentucky, June 27, 1838, and was descended from one of the oldest and most highly respected families of the Jackson Purchase. His grandfather, Moses Thompson, settled in Graves county about 1825, and was one of the first associate judges appointed to preside over the courts of that district. He was a farmer by

occupation, but a man of more than ordinary mental ability for his day. He died in Ballard county, Kentucky, at the home of his son, Augustus Thompson, in 1844. He was the father of twelve children, including eleven sons, who inherited not only the mental strength of their father, but the native energy of their mother, who is said to have been a remarkable woman for the day in which she lived. She was one of the founders of the Christian church in western Kentucky, and was noted for possessing a degree of refinement and lady-like culture rarely seen among people of the new country. Of their sons, Augustus was born in Butler county, Kentucky, in 1815, and removed with the family to Graves county, where, in early life, he began the practice of medicine, having prepared himself for the profession in the Cincinnati Medical College. He married, in 1837, Miss Susan M. Grundy, and reared three sons, of whom the subject of this sketch was the eldest. He died in the prime of life of cholera in the latter part of June, 1849. His wife, who was born in 1817, died in Ballard county in February, 1869. A biography of her youngest son, George C. Thompson, appears elsewhere in these volumes.

Dr. Joseph W. Thompson was principally reared on the farm and in Ballard county. He received a fair literary education, and at the age of eighteen years began the study of medicine under Dr. G. Stovall, of Ballard county, and in 1857 entered the Medical College of Nashville, Tennessee, whence, in 1858, he went to the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, where he was graduated in March of 1859. He then located in Ballard county, where he successfully practiced till 1861, when he entered the Confederate army as surgeon of the Third Kentucky Regiment. In this capacity he served for two years, and was afterward placed in charge of Forrest's Hospital, at Lauderdale Springs,

Mississippi, remaining there two years and until the close of the war. Immediately after the close of hostilities Dr. Thompson located in Paducah, where he continued to reside and to practice medicine till he passed away in death. He rose to a front rank in his profession; was a member of the Medical and Surgical Society of Paducah, of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, of the Kentucky State Medical Association and the American Medical Association, and was also a Mason and a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

February 17, 1867, Dr. Thompson married Miss Victoria H. O'Brien, a native of North Carolina. She is still living in Paducah. In the death of Dr. Thompson there passed away a beloved physician, a good citizen and one whom everyone who knew him highly respected.

J. R. SMITH.

J. R. Smith, wholesale grocer of Paducah, was born in Wadesboro, Kentucky, March 26, 1837. He began his business career, which has been a very successful one, on very limited capital. He was a poor man, but by reason of industry, energy and honest business methods he succeeded in every undertaking, and his entire business career has been crowned with brilliant successes, and to-day he is not only among the oldest business men of Paducah, but one of the wealthiest and most prominent of all western Kentucky.

He commenced his business life with his brother, Joseph Smith, in Murray, Kentucky, in the year 1852, and there learned those business habits and methods which have enabled him to accumulate a fortune and also rise high in the commercial world. Mr. Smith came to Paducah in 1870 and embarked in the wholesale grocery business, in

which he was successful from the start and unto this day, the style of the firm now being J. R. Smith & Son. He has contributed much to the material welfare of the city of Paducah, where no man is held in higher esteem than is he.

Mr. Smith is the fifth in a family of seven children born to Andrew and Eliza (Curd) Smith, who were early settlers of Calloway county, Kentucky, where they lived many years and were universally respected by all who knew them. In Calloway county Mr. Smith married Mary E. Orr, who was born in Pointe Coupee, Louisiana.

C. C. THOMPSON.

The lumber business of McCracken county and western Kentucky has a well known representative in C. C. Thompson, of Cecil, who has been identified with this locality for a number of years. Mr. Thompson is a native of New York state, and was born in the year 1845. His father, Charley C. Thompson, was an Englishman by birth, who early in life came to this country, and in New York married Miss Margaret J. Young, a native of the Empire state. Moving westward, they located in Ohio, and in that state the subject of our sketch was reared and educated. Before he completed his schooling, however, he left Ohio and went to Michigan, where he engaged in the lumber business and where he resided until 1889. He came to McCracken county in 1889 and has since been engaged in the same business here, being successful in conducting operations and gaining a wide acquaintance and the confidence and respect of the people among whom he has done business.

In 1865 Mr. Thompson married Miss Clara Hamlin, and they are

the parents of two daughters, namely: Rose J., wife of Bernard Fullerton, a well known lumber dealer of Mississippi, and Lotta M., wife of C. P. Holt, a bridge contractor and prominent citizen of Paducah, Kentucky.

JOSEPH W. BECKER, M. D.

Joseph W. Becker, M. D., was born at Smithland, Livingston county, Kentucky, December 23, 1825, and died at Paducah, Kentucky, in the year 1890. He was a son of Joseph and Catherine (Hagey) Becker, the father a native of Canada and the mother a native of Tennessee. The home of the parents continued at Smithland till the son was about seven years of age, and thereafter till 1844 the family resided in Paducah.

In this latter city the youth of Dr. Becker was spent. He received a fair literary education, and then took up the study of medicine. The celebrated Dr. Gross of Louisville, Kentucky, was his preceptor. Later he attended medical lectures in New York and Philadelphia. He began his professional career at Metropolis, Illinois, to which place his parents had removed from Paducah. Here he practiced till the year 1856, when the family returned to the city of Paducah. For over thirty years thereafter he was actively engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery in Paducah. For a long time he and the late Dr. Reuben Sanders were associated partners in the practice of medicine.

Dr. Becker gained professional prominence soon after he entered upon his career as a physician and surgeon. For years he enjoyed a large and lucrative practice, but a few years before his death he endeavored to retire from the active practice.

He was possessed of a broad and thorough knowledge of the

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science of medicine, and in the application of his knowledge was a most skillful practitioner. He was a trusted and beloved physician. In manner he was kind, considerate, genial and generous. He is yet and long will be held in affectionate memory by those who knew him.

Dr. Becker not only rose to a high rank in his profession, but also gained prominence as a progressive and public-spirited citizen. He amassed a fair estate, but not by means of speculation, nor by oppression of his fellow man. He was charitable, and ever gave aid to those he deemed worthy of help. He led a consistent christian life, and was an exemplary member of the Episcopal church, to which he gave loyal support and liberally of his means.

When about twenty-seven years of age Dr. Becker married Miss Kate Baker, who died within a year after the marriage. He never married again. Of his family all have passed away in death save his sister, Mrs. Josephine B. Jacob, still a resident of the city of Paducah.

WILLIAM MURPHY REED.

William Murphy Reed, of Benton, was born September 5, 1848, in Graves county, Kentucky. His father, William Reed, was a native of North Carolina, and his mother, Margaret (McCain) Reed, was born near Nashville, Tennessee. The subject of this sketch was reared on a farm, and acquired his education in Boston Seminary, of Marshall county, Kentucky, and in Princeton College, of Princeton. He read law with Philander Palmer, of Benton, and after an extensive and accurate course of study was admitted to the bar in Benton, in March, 1873. Immediately afterward he began practice in the first judicial district of Kentucky, and from the beginning his legal career may be

said to be one of success. He has always maintained an office in Benton, and in 1880 also established one in Paducah, where he is now a member of the well known firm of Greer & Reed, the senior partner residing in Paducah. In the practice at Benton these gentlemen were joined by W. M. Oliver, under the firm name of Reed, Greer & Oliver.

Mr. Reed's high standing at the bar is best shown by the important litigation which has been entrusted to his care. His practice has assumed extensive proportions, and covers the territory embraced within McCracken, Marshall, Calloway, Livingston, Graves and Lyon counties. His practice is general, embracing both criminal and civil suits. He has been retained as counsel in every important murder case tried in Marshall and Calloway counties, and many in McCracken county, for several years past. His civil practice is extensive, and his firm is attorney for many leading corporations and business enterprises in this section of the state, including the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, the Peoples' Railway Company of Paducah, the Paducah Electric Company, the Paducah & Clark River Gravel Road Company, Mechanics' Building and Loan Association, City National Bank of Paducah, the Paducah Banking Company and other corporations of note. Among the cases involving large interests, therefore calling for superior legal ability, that Mr. Reed's firm has handled, may be mentioned one in Texas, which grew out of the building of a court-house and the issue of bonds for that purpose. His firm has represented parties owning bonds to the amount of seventy thousand dollars, and has secured judgment to the amount of forty-six thousand dollars, while over one million dollars are involved in similar cases. The firm of Greer & Reed is also concerned as counsel in the Grand River Company's litigation, growing

out of the investment and building of their large iron furnaces and plant for the manufacture of iron and lumber, representing over one million dollars. The cases of this company are pending in both state and United States courts. His firm is also attorney for the Paducah Land, Coal and Iron Company in their litigations, involving the disposal of property valued at more than three million dollars, including a large furnace plant at Paducah, tracts of ore-bearing lands in Trigg county, Kentucky, and in Tennessee, and town lots in Paducah. The importance of the legal business with which Mr. Reed is connected shows his superior ability in the control of the intricate problems of civil law. His keen powers of perception and analysis, combined with superior mental alertness, enable him to grasp readily all the points of the case and give to each its relative value. In argument he is clear, concise and masterful, and his logic never fails to carry weight, and seldom fails to convince.

In politics he is a stanch Democrat, advocating the principles as set forth by the recognized leaders of the party in the east. Deeply interested in the success of his party, he does all in his power to promote its growth, has attended many of the district and state conventions, and in 1892 was alternate for the state at large to the Democratic national convention at Chicago. His powers of oratory are frequently used in the campaigns with telling effect. He has served for four years as county attorney of Marshall county, and for three terms (six years) represented his district in the state legislature, where he served one term as chairman on the committee on state prisons, and one term as chairman of the judiciary committee; and while a member of the legislature he was a member of the committee which perfected the present revenue or tax laws of the state; was the author of several important

laws and is the author of the present statute against seduction in Kentucky.

In May, 1903, he was nominated by his political party as candidate for judge of the circuit court of his judicial district and was elected to the office in the following November election.

On the 17th of October, 1872, Mr. Reed married Miss Mary R. Strow, of Benton, Kentucky, and they now have four children, Boone, Cecil, Lula and William Roscoe. Mr. Reed holds membership in the Christian church, and also belongs to the Masonic and Odd Fellows fraternities.

DANIEL BOONE STANFIELD.

Daniel Boone Stanfield, president of the City National Bank of Mayfield, Kentucky, was born in Madison county, Tennessee, on a farm, February 28, 1849. He is a son of William B. and Nancy C. (Boone) Stanfield; the former was born in Halifax county, Virginia, and the latter in North Carolina. The paternal grandfather was an early settler of Madison county, Tennessee, where he died upon his farm. The father of our subject was reared in Madison county, Tennessee, and in Graves county, Kentucky, and then settled in the southern part of Graves county, where he farmed until 1866, when he located in Mayfield, and has since made it his home, becoming one of the leading carpenters and contractors of the city. He and his wife had two children, namely: Virginia C., who married Captain S. P. Ridgeway, of Mayfield, and Daniel B., who was nearly eighteen years of age when his parents came to Mayfield from the farm.

Daniel Boone Stanfield gained a fair education in Mayfield, and later studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1870, from which time

he has been one of the active practitioners in Mayfield. For a number of years he was circuit court clerk and county judge, and has always been a Democrat in politics. His banking career commenced when he became vice president of the First National Bank, after which he was made its president and continued as such for four or five years. In 1896 the City National Bank was organized, and he has acted as its president ever since, conducting its affairs with rare judgment and along conservative lines, which have firmly established it among the leading financial institutions of the county. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. In 1872 he was married to Mary E. Talbert, a native of Graves county. Their children are as follows: Will B., an attorney at Mayfield; Ralph N., also an attorney at Mayfield.

JOHN WESLEY BLOOMFIELD.

John Wesley Bloomfield is one of the ablest and best known attorneys of western Kentucky. He is a native of the Buckeye state, having been born in Preble county, Ohio, November 16, 1836. His parents were Reuben and Ann (Hopkins) Bloomfield, the former of whom was a native of Preble county and a son of David Bloomfield, who was born in Roan county, North Carolina, and was of English lineage. Ann (Hopkins) Bloomfield was born in Kentucky, and her ancestors settled in that state at an early day, having come from Virginia. David Bloomfield was also an early settler of Kentucky, from which state he removed to Ohio and became a pioneer of Preble county, where he and his wife, Rachael (Barclay) Bloomfield, spent many years, and where they finally died and were buried.

Reuben and Ann (Hopkins) Bloomfield were married in Kentucky,

and they had four sons and one daughter. The mother died, and the father married again, from which union he had five daughters. All of his life was spent in farming, and he was universally respected for his many sterling qualities of heart and mind.

John Wesley Bloomfield was born and reared on a farm, and in his youth was sent to the country schools, and later to the Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, where he completed a two years' course. He then began the study of law under General Marsh at Eaton, Ohio, and in 1861 went to Paducah, Kentucky, where he continued the study of law, and was admitted to the bar in 1865, since which time he has been continuously in practice in Paducah. He has long held rank among the ablest lawyers of western Kentucky, but has never held office, except when he was city judge of Paducah from 1874 to 1878, during which time he gained his title of "Judge," by which he is generally known.

In 1865 Judge Bloomfield was united in marriage with Miss Linnie M. Unruh, and the following children were born to them: Lloyd, Miss Joe and John W., who are living, and one that died in childhood. Judge Bloomfield is a Democrat in politics, and takes an active interest in local affairs, although not a politician. Fraternally he is a Master Mason, while he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

EDWIN THOMAS NANCE.

Eighty years is the span of the life of this venerable citizen of Graves county, Kentucky, and his career is not only worthy of consideration on this account, but he deserves mention because of the leading part he has taken in business affairs of the western part of Kentucky, where he has been known as one of the leading tobacco growers and farmers.

The family is of German descent, but has resided in this country for many years. Grandfather William Nance was born in Bedford county, Virginia, and lived to be a very old man. His son, John Nance, was also born in Bedford county, in 1780, and was educated in the schools of that state. He was a farmer, and at his death, which occurred in 1845, he was recognized as one of the foremost men in that pursuit in the state of Virginia. In 1805 he was married to Martha Estes, who was born in Bedford county, Virginia, in 1787, and her father, William Estes, was a native of the same place and lived to the great age of ninety-eight years. Mrs. Nance died in 1848, having become the mother of a large family. The son, Thaddeus, was a farmer of Bedford county, and died in 1863; S. A. Nance was a farmer of Trigg county, Kentucky, and died in 1895 at the age of eighty years; Albert Nance was a farmer in Bedford county and died in 1863 at the age of forty-five; Benjamin Nance, who was one of the largest wheat growers in Howard county, Missouri, died in 1902, aged seventy two; Thorp Nance is a farmer in Texas; John F. is a farmer in Bedford county, Virginia; Celia Ann married William Burnett, a farmer in Missouri, and both are now deceased; Mary was the wife of Isaiah Wade, a farmer in Bedford county, Virginia, and both are deceased; Lizzie is the wife of Pleasant Wade, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Sarah died in youth; Emeline is the wife of Joel Wright, a Missouri farmer.

Edwin Thomas Nance completes the list of the above-named children. He was born in Bedford county, Virginia, January 17, 1823, and after leaving school engaged in farming. He was actively engaged in this occupation in his native state until 1870, when he came to Graves county, Kentucky, where he is now cultivating a fine farm of one hun-

dred and eighty-four acres, and has been especially successful in raising tobacco.

In 1844 Mr. Nance was married to Miss Sallie Snow, and the following children were born to them: Mary, the wife of Thomas Tinsley, a farmer of Calloway county, Kentucky; Bettie, the wife of William Nance, a painter of Clarksville, Tennessee; George P. is a farmer of Trigg county, Kentucky; John A. is a farmer in Graves county; Kittie is the wife of Henry Jenkins, of Graves county; William Nance is a farmer of Graves county; Belle is the wife of Wickliffe Dawson, a farmer of Trigg county, and Albert T. is a farmer of Trigg county. The mother of these children died in 1891, and in 1895 Mr. Nance married Mrs. Martha Perry, the widow of Oliver Perry. He is a Democrat and a member of the Missionary Baptist church.

MAJOR HENRY STEPHENSON HALE.

Maj. Henry Stephenson Hale, of Mayfield, was born in Bowling Green, Warren county, Kentucky, May 4, 1836. His parents were Nicholas and Rhoda (Crouch) Hale. His father was born in North Carolina and was of English lineage. He was a son of Joshua Hale, formerly from Virginia. Nicholas Hale married Rhoda Crouch, a native of Henry county, Tennessee, and a daughter of David Crouch, a pioneer farmer of Henry county, and who was a private soldier in the Mexican war; he was of Scotch-Irish lineage. Nicholas Hale was a soldier in the war of 1812. For a time he farmed and resided in Henry county, Tennessee, whence he removed to Warren county, Kentucky. In 1844 he removed to Arkansas, but two years later returned to Kentucky, and settled in the southern part of Graves county, and

here his death occurred shortly afterward. His wife survived him some nine or ten years. Their children were William Harrison Hale, born in Henry county, Tennessee, January 16, 1829, merchant and tobacco dealer of Mayfield, Kentucky, and died in 1881; Sarah Hale, who married George W. Thompson, and died in 1898; N. T. Hale, born in Henry county, Tennessee, December 6, 1833, merchandised in Murray, Kentucky, for forty-five years, and died December 24, 1902; Jennie Hale, deceased, wife of J. T. Craig, died in 1878, aged thirty-nine; David A. Hale merchandised in both Murray and Mayfield, and had large farm interests in Graves county, and died in 1892, aged fifty.

Maj. Henry S. Hale was a mere boy when his parents took up their residence in Graves county. Here he grew to manhood and obtained a fair education. For a period of time just before the outbreak of the Civil war he clerked in a store at Lynnville, Kentucky. Possessed of the true southern spirit, and a heart full of love for the "sunny south" and its institutions, he espoused the cause of the Confederacy and fought gallantly in the conflict between the sections. In the fall of 1861 he entered the Confederate army as captain of a company in the Seventh Kentucky Regiment; was soon promoted to major, and was in command of the regiment in several hard-fought battles. He was wounded in the left hip at Harrisburg, Mississippi, and disabled for several months. Then, recalled by General Forrest, he was promoted for gallantry on the battlefield of Brice's Cross Roads to the rank of lieutenant colonel and assigned to the Third and Seventh consolidated regiments. With the close of the war his military services closed.

The following extract from a Mayfield paper, describing Major Hale as a soldier, is worthy of reprint: "Major Hale was a young man

of about twenty-four years of age. He was full of zeal and chivalry as the fine climate and good soil of southern Kentucky could make one. He was a live, wide-awake officer, a man for emergencies, and would undertake anything he was commanded to do by his superior officers. Nothing was impossible with him. He had a loud, clear voice and a fine presence, and made a fine impression; in short, he was a model soldier. He commanded the regiment in some of the hardest-fought battles. His conduct in the face of the enemy was always inspiring to others. At one time, when the regiment showed signs of wavering, he snatched the colors and ran forward, flaunting them in the face of the enemy. The effect was magical; every man moved forward and the enemy was driven from its position."

In 1866 the Major was elected sheriff of Graves county, which office he held for four years, and in 1871 he was elected state senator, representing Graves, Hickman and Fulton counties and serving his constituents with fidelity. He was elected as the Democratic candidate. For a number of years Major Hale served as chairman of the Democratic committee of his county.

In 1876 the First National Bank of Mayfield was organized, and he was elected its first president, and is now the president of this bank.

When Judge Sharp resigned the office of state treasurer, Major Hale was appointed by Governor Buckner to fill out the unexpired term. At the next regular election he became a candidate for the office and was elected by a very complimentary vote. The manner in which he managed the affairs of the office, the ability he displayed as a financier and the general official conduct of Major Hale won the admiration of the people. In 1895 he was a candidate for secretary of state (the constitution forbidding that he should hold the office of treasurer another

term), but in the election of that year he went down with a great many other good men of the Democratic party, in consequence of the victory of the Republican party.

Major Hale is an active and prominent member of the Christian church, and was a leading spirit in founding the Western Kentucky College of Mayfield. He is a man of sterling worth, and his true manhood and integrity have won for him the respect of all who know him.

November 8, 1865, Major Hale married Miss Virginia A. Gregory, of Mississippi, born April 22, 1843. They have six living children, four sons and two daughters: Nathan A., cashier of the First National Bank of Mayfield; William Lindsay, who was assistant treasurer of state during his father's term of office, and is now in the milling business at Mayfield; Henry S., a business man of Frankfort; Joseph Theodore, yet in school; and the daughters are Annie B. and Mary E.

WILLIAM T. WHITE.

Among the members of the Ballard county bar is William Thomas White, who is practicing at Wickliffe, where he has gained a distinctively representative clientage. Legal interests are never entrusted to those whose abilities are questionable. When one has property or civil rights at stake it is greatly to be desired that they should be placed in the hands of those who have comprehensive knowledge of the law and are capable of conducting litigated interests with the best results for their clients, and in criminal cases where the balance of justice is to be maintained it is also necessary that the man concerned in the control of a cause should be proficient and well versed in that especial department of jurisprudence. After careful preparation William Thomas

White took his place at the bar, and by earnest study, indefatigable labor and mastery of the questions with which he has become connected has won for himself an enviable place among the practitioners of this district.

William Thomas White was born at Blandville, Kentucky, on the 28th of June, 1861, and is a son of James D. and Mary Ellen (Coil) White. He was reared in his native city, and there acquired his preliminary education, which was supplemented by study in Paducah, in Clinton and in Lexington. When about twenty years of age he took up the study of law with G. W. Reeves, of Paducah, as his preceptor, and in 1885 he was admitted to the bar at Wickliffe. He then located in Blandville, where he continued in practice until 1889, and during the first year was associated with his father as a member of the firm of J. D. White & Son. In 1889 he came to Wickliffe, where he has since lived, and if a large patronage is any criterion of success Mr. White has certainly entered upon a successful professional career.

On the 27th of November, 1889, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. White and Miss Naomi Rich, a daughter of LaFayette Rich and a granddaughter of Jacob Corbett, the first clerk of the county court of Ballard county. To Mr. and Mrs. White have been born six children. In addition to his home in Wickliffe, Mr. White owns and operates a farm near the city. Socially he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a Master Mason. In politics he is a Democrat. He has devoted considerable time to reading and study, and is thoroughly posted on current topics and events.

ULE SAMUEL SHACKLETT.

Ule Samuel Shacklett, a prosperous hardware merchant of Fulton, Kentucky, was born in Woodbury, Cannon county, Tennessee, October 2, 1867, and is a son of John Lewis and Mary Lou (Bates) Shacklett. The father was born in Davidson county, Tennessee, and the mother was born in Cannon county, Tennessee. The paternal grandfather, John Shacklett, was a native of North Carolina, of French descent, and was a school teacher, and resided for many years at Antioch, Tennessee, where the father of our subject was born, reared and educated. His maternal grandfather, Bates, was a native of Virginia and a pioneer of Cannon county, Tennessee, where he built the first and only court house of the county. In Woodbury, Tennessee, the mother of our subject was born and reared. She bore her husband children as follows: Samuel; Mattie Lenora, deceased; Claude McC., deceased; Robert W.; John Arthur; Lucy Edith.

The father and mother reside in Woodbury, and there Ule Samuel Shacklett attended school until he was nineteen years of age, after which he attended a commercial college and completed a business course. For a short time he was a clerk in a drug store, and then became bill clerk for Timmons, Philpot & Company, of Nashville, Tennessee. This position he held about sixteen months, and a like position for six months more in the employ of the American Milling Company, of Nashville. For eighteen months he then was a salesman for the wholesale dry-goods concern of J. S. Reeves & Company, also of Nashville. For a short time he traveled for C. D. Smith & Company, grain dealers, and later for the Model Milling Company, of Nashville. In 1895 he came to Fulton and became a partner of A. P. Creedle in the grain business,

and this partnership continued about a year. For a short time thereafter he was a traveling grocery salesman in the employ of a St. Louis firm. Returning to Fulton, he formed a partnership with W. P. Felts in the hardware business, and about eighteen months later this connection was dissolved. J. W. and L. E. Thomas and our subject formed a partnership in 1900, under the style of Shacklett-Thomas Hardware Company, which is to-day a thriving business house, and a leader in that line in the city. While Mr. Shacklett's business career has been a varied one, it has been a successful one, and without capital to commence with he has raised himself into his present prosperous condition. His energy, pluck and good management have all aided him in his business life.

On June 5, 1897, Mr. Shacklett and Miss Fannie Wilson were married, she being a native of Tennessee. Their children are John Wilson and Mary Le Grand. In politics Mr. Shacklett is a Democrat, and he has served as a member of the Fulton city council and been otherwise active in party affairs. Both he and his wife are Methodists, and their home is noted for generous hospitality. They are important factors in the social life of the community, and both have a large circle of friends.

JAMES L. BETHSHARES.

James L. Bethshares, one of the prominent and representative citizens of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in Rutherford county, Tennessee, October 10, 1832. He is a son of William S. and Martha L. (Johnston) Bethshares, both natives of Virginia. The paternal grandfather was Jesse Bethshares, and the maternal grandfather was Robert

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Johnston, and both were also natives of Virginia, descended from French and Scotch-Irish ancestors, respectively.

William S. Bethshares was a farmer by occupation and continued in that line until his death, April 10, 1847; he was born October 10, 1796. His wife was born March 20, 1811, and died November 9, 1899. In politics the father was an old-line Whig and a very highly respected man. Our subject has a brother and sister now living, namely: William T., who resides in Calloway county, Kentucky; and Mary Elizabeth Sammonds, who resides in Howard county, Missouri.

James L. Bethshares was reared and educated in western Tennessee, and after leaving school acted as clerk in a dry-goods store for four years, but in 1857 started in the drug business in Trenton, Tennessee, remaining in that line until 1862, when he began the study of law. In 1863 he removed to Paducah, Kentucky, and embarked in the manufacture of plows with his uncle W. B. Johnston, thus continuing until 1872. In 1873 and 1874 he resumed and finished his law studies, and January 14, 1875, was admitted to the bar. For eight years he was actively engaged in the practice of his profession, but in 1882 he was elected county judge and held that office until 1886. In 1890 he was re-elected to that same office, and held it until 1895, when he retired from active life. In politics he is a Democrat and has always taken an active part in local affairs. Religiously he is a member of the Methodist church, and contributes liberally towards its support.

In February, 1870, Mr. Bethshares was united in marriage with Felicia A. Hand, daughter of Henry Hand, of Paducah, Kentucky. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bethshares are highly respected by all who know them, and are living in the enjoyment of good health, surrounded by the

comforts of life, provided by the ability and enterprise of Mr. Bethshares.

JAMES H. THARP.

Judge James Howard Tharp, who served for two terms as county judge of Ballard county, and is now practicing law in Wickliffe, was born on a farm in this county on the 17th day of May, 1846. His parents were Frelin and Nancy (Hawes) Tharp, the former a native of North Carolina, while the latter was born near Hawesville, Kentucky. The paternal grandfather of our subject was Esais Tharp, who with his family left North Carolina and took up his abode in Ballard county, Kentucky, but only made a temporary location here. Soon he continued on his way to Missouri, and died after a brief residence in that state.

Frelin Tharp was about sixteen years of age when his father's death occurred, and was the eldest of several sons, whom the mother bound out to learn trades. Not liking the idea of being bound to a master, Frelin objected, and then ran away from home. Soon afterward, however, he returned to Kentucky, and for some time worked on keel boats on the Tennessee river, while later he was employed on steamboats making trips to New Orleans. He ran on the river for some ten or eleven years, and in this way managed to acquire some capital. In 1833, having secured a quarter-section of land in what is now Carlisle county, Kentucky, he located thereon, but soon traded it for a tract of land in the northern part of Ballard county, along the Ohio river. He was married in Ballard county, in 1835, and took his bride to his farm. Later he exchanged his second place for a farm just west of Barlow City, upon which he spent his remaining days. This farm is now the property of Judge Tharp. Frelin Tharp was a prosperous

agriculturist, and in connection with farming also acted as pilot on the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to a greater or less extent, making many trips to New Orleans after locating in Ballard county. He also raised considerable stock and developed good farming property, which increased greatly in value, owing to the many improvements he made upon it. In his political views he was a stalwart Democrat. His death occurred in 1867, when he was sixty-three years of age, and his wife passed away the previous year, when fifty-one years of age. They were the parents of seven children: Miletus H. and Minus A., both deceased; James H.; Oscar T., also deceased; Sarah E., who resides in Barlow City, Kentucky; and two who died in infancy.

James H. Tharp was reared and educated in Ballard county, spending his boyhood days upon the home farm, where he remained until after the death of his parents. When they had passed away he took charge of the old homestead and continued to make his home thereon until he was elected county judge of Ballard county, in 1890. He filled the position acceptably for a term of four years and was then re-elected, so that he continued in the office for two terms. After his retirement from the county bench he served as city judge of Wickliffe for two years. In the meantime he had taken up the study of law, and in 1901 was admitted to the bar. He then opened an office in Wickliffe, where he has since engaged in practice and is now enjoying a good clientage. He was elected to his different positions on the Democratic ticket. In connection with his law practice he still engages in farming, owning the old homestead, to the operation of which he gives his personal supervision.

In 1868 Mr. Tharp was united in marriage to Miss Joan Waggoner, who died in 1886, leaving him ten children, of whom nine are

now living. In 1890 he was again married, his second union being with Mrs. Matie (or Matilda) Tanner, *nee* Metcalfe, by whom he has three living children. The Judge is a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and throughout the years of his residence in Ballard county he has so lived as to win the regard of his fellowmen, gaining high reputation by reason of his public-spirited citizenship, his fidelity and promptness in office and his faithfulness in friendship.

WILLIAM KEEL HALL.

William Keel Hall, one of the successful business men of Fulton, Fulton county, Kentucky, was born in Columbus, Kentucky, April 28, 1857. He is a son of William Keel Hall, who was born in Trenton, Tennessee. For thirteen years he was postmaster at Columbus, Kentucky, or until his death, which took place in 1877, when he was fifty-seven years of age. He had removed from Tennessee to Columbus, Kentucky, about 1862. In politics he was a Republican, and served as state senator from Tennessee, and also held minor offices in his county. He received his postoffice appointment under President Grant. The maiden name of his wife was Martha A. Winn, and she was born four miles from Columbus, Kentucky, and is now residing at Hickman with her daughter. The education of the father was obtained in the Trenton public schools, while his wife was educated in Louisville, Kentucky. The paternal grandfather was Jonathan Hall, and he came from middle Tennessee. In politics he was a Whig, and was a successful farmer. The maternal grandfather was Thomas Winn, a native of Virginia, coming of English and French ancestors. His death occurred at Columbus, Kentucky, about 1860.

William K. Hall was reared in Columbus, Kentucky, and received his education in that town until he was eighteen years of age, at which time he went into the railroad mail service, in which he remained ten years. He settled in Fulton in 1880, and embarked in a grocery business, but in 1882 went to Florida for his health, there remaining until 1886, when he returned to Fulton and became a bookkeeper for Wade Brothers Lumber Company. He continued in this connection until he purchased the lumber business of Jacob Wise & Company, in 1893, and continued it under the name of the Fulton Lumber & Manufacturing Company. In 1898 he changed the style to that of W. K. Hall Lumber Company, which is the present name. In politics he is a Republican and is much interested in local affairs. His religious connections are with the Christian church. Fraternally he belongs to the Knights of Honor and the Woodmen of the World.

On September 15, 1880, he married Anna McCall, of Fulton, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McCall, of Fulton. Mr. Hall is superintendent of the Sunday-school of the Christian church, and is one of the most prominent members of that denomination. He and his wife are worthy, good people, and are highly esteemed by all who know them.

SOLOMON D. FUTRELL.

The father of this patriarch among the farmers of Graves county, Kentucky, was John Futrell, who was born in North Carolina in 1780. He came to Trigg county, Kentucky, in 1797, and became a successful farmer and tobacco-raiser. He lived to be ninety-three years old, and died in 1873. His wife was Lizzie Deloach, who was born in North Carolina in 1783, and died when our subject was a small boy. Their

children were: Francis Futrell, who died in 1846; Cullen, who was a farmer of Trigg county, Kentucky, and also died in 1846; Charlotte died in 1850; Perry was a farmer in Trigg county and died in 1902, when eighty-six years old; Sarah Anna, the wife of Maliciah Cooper, a carpenter of Trigg county, died in 1888 at the age of seventy-five; Thomas, deceased, was a farmer of Trigg county.

Solomon D. Futrell was born to these parents in Trigg county, Kentucky, June 4, 1820. After receiving his educational training, he devoted himself to farming, and for many years successfully carried on that calling in Trigg county, but in 1892 moved to Graves county and bought a farm four miles south of Mayfield, where he now resides, enjoying to the utmost the respect of his neighbors, and passing the remaining days of his life in peace and contentment.

In 1846 Mr. Futrell married Miss Clarisa Futrell, and a large family was born of the union. The son, Cullen H., is a farmer of Graves county; Annie married Zachariah Hayden, a farmer of Graves county; Rufus, who was a farmer in Trigg county, was drowned in the Cumberland river in 1880; Joseph S. is the proprietor of a hotel at Canton, Kentucky; Eliza Mildred is the wife of Horney Frizzell; Sarah Alice died in 1887 at the age of twenty one; Albert T. lives at Paducah, Kentucky; Alfred D. is a farmer in Graves county; and Sarah Allie died in 1879. Mr. Futrell has, by these children, thirty-five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren, so that he is honored as the head of four generations of worthy citizens of the old Bluegrass state. His wife died in 1888, aged fifty-eight.

GEORGE GRANT WITTY.

George Grant Witty, who is now capably serving as postmaster of Bardwell and is numbered among the leading representatives of the Republican party in Carlisle county, was born on a farm in Christian county, Kentucky, near Hopkinsville, January 23, 1862, his parents being George W. and Agness (Anderson) Witty. The Witty family is of Irish lineage, and was founded in America by William Witty, the great-grandfather of our subject, who was born on the Emerald isle, and, crossing the Atlantic in one of the old-time sailing vessels, became a resident of Georgia. His son, James Witty, the grandfather of our subject, was born in Georgia, was there reared, and after arriving at years of maturity married Miss. Lucinda Coon, a native of Kentucky. Among their children was George W. Witty, whose birth occurred in Christian county, Kentucky, in 1838, which was also the birthplace of his wife, whose natal year was 1837. Both were reared in Christian county, and there they were married. Mrs. Agness Witty was a daughter of James and Mary (Boyd) Anderson, both natives of Virginia. In 1869 Mr. and Mrs. George W. Witty came to what is now Carlisle county and settled on a farm near Milburn, where they resided for many years, after which they established their home in the village, Mr. Witty devoting his time and energies to carpentering. In 1897 he was appointed postmaster of Milburn, and has since served in that office in a most acceptable manner. He has always been a stanch Republican, and he and his wife are devoted members of the Missionary Baptist church, taking an active part in its work and doing all in their power to advance the cause of Christianity. They were the parents of three children, but the eldest died in infancy. The others are George G. and

Albert Calvin, the latter a traveling salesman with headquarters at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

George G. Witty was reared upon the home farm and educated in the public schools, attending both the country schools and the Milburn Academy of Milburn, Kentucky. When twenty years of age he started out upon an independent business career as a teacher, and, with the exception of about three years spent in the revenue service, he taught continuously and successfully until 1899, when he engaged in farming, which he followed for two years. In July, 1901, he was made postmaster at Bardwell, so that two members of the family are acting as postmaster at the present time. In the administration of the affairs of the office in Bardwell Mr. Witty is prompt, reliable and trustworthy, and his course has won uniform commendation. He has always been a stanch Republican, faithful to the principles in which he believes. He was a delegate from the First Congressional district of Kentucky to the Republican national convention in 1888, and from its organization to 1900 he was secretary of the Carlisle county Republican central committee, and was an unsuccessful candidate for register of the land office on the Republican state ticket in 1895.

In the year 1885 Mr. Witty was united in marriage to Miss Allie Cook, a daughter of Joseph A. Cook, of Carlisle county, and three children were born to them, of whom two are now living: Walter and Charles. Mr. Witty is a Master Mason and a worthy follower of the craft which is based upon the brotherhood of mankind and inculcates principles of helpfulness and charity among men. He is also identified with the Knights and Ladies of Honor, and he and his wife are devoted members of the Missionary Baptist church. As an educator he did much

to advance the intellectual standard of the districts in which he was employed, and at all times his aid and influence have been given in behalf of material, social, intellectual and moral progress and improvement.

WILLIAM L. ELLISTON.

William Luther Elliston, although one of the younger representatives of business circles in Bardwell, is recognized as a most active, energetic and progressive man, and one whose work has been felt as a moving force in advancing industrial and manufacturing interests here. He is now general manager of the Cherry Malt Company, and under his capable control this enterprise has already become profitable and is enjoying a rapidly increasing patronage, which is making it a successful business concern of the city.

Mr. Elliston is one of Carlisle county's native sons, his birth having occurred on the 21st of October, 1877, on a farm about three miles northeast of Bardwell. His parents are Joseph and Fannie M. (Pew) Elliston, the former born in Milburn, Carlisle county, Kentucky, in 1844, while the latter was born near Mount Easton, Kentucky. Their children are as follows: Inez, deceased; Lizzie; Maud; William L.; and Arthur R. Throughout his entire life the father has followed agricultural pursuits, making his home in Carlisle county, and has met with a fair degree of success in his undertakings. His political support is given unfalteringly to the Republican party, and at the time of the Civil war he joined the Union army and fought for three years in defense of the stars and stripes. He and his wife hold membership in the Missionary Baptist church and are people whose upright lives have gained for them uniform confidence and regard.

Upon the home farm William L. Elliston was reared, and in the schools of Bardwell pursued his education, although he greatly added to his knowledge by study at home. He is a young man who could never be content to stand still in any way, intellectually or otherwise, and reading, observation and experience have greatly broadened his mind. He worked upon his father's farm until twenty-one years of age, at which time he secured a teacher's certificate, and for four years thereafter successfully engaged in teaching in the schools of this county. In 1902 he purchased an interest in the Bardwell Brick & Tile Company, and also in the ice business, and has since been identified with the manufacturing enterprise of the city. In 1903 he secured stock in the Cherry Malt Company, which manufactures and bottles cherry malt, a very highly flavored temperance drink, of excellent quality. It has already been received with favor on the market, and the enterprise bids fair to be a very successful one. Mr. Elliston is general manager of the concern, and his business ability and enterprise are very noticeable in his control of the business.

Mr. Elliston exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the Republican party, and he is connected through fraternal relations with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He also belongs to the Missionary Baptist church, and has taken a helpful interest in matters pertaining to the welfare of the city along many lines.

In his business career he has made his own way unaided, receiving no assistance save that his father gave him a horse when he was twenty-one years of age. His rise to his creditable position in business circles in Bardwell is due to his own labors, laudable ambition and resolution, and he is finding that success is ambition's answer.

GEORGE R. CREEDLE.

George R. Creedle, of Fulton, Fulton county, Kentucky, was born on a farm in the southern part of Graves county, Kentucky, June 9, 1870, and is a son of Alexander Poole and Jane (Howard) Creedle. The father was born in Mecklenburg county, Virginia, and the mother was born in Graves county, Kentucky. They were married in Graves county, and there the father farmed until 1870, when he removed to Fulton and embarked in the grocery business, and also engaged in the grain business, becoming the third merchant of Fulton. There he remained in active business until his death, which occurred in 1900, when he was seventy-two years of age. He was eminently successful. In politics he was a Democrat, and in religious affiliations was a member of the Baptist church. He was a self-made man. He succeeded in life in consequence of energy and close attention to business. He was honest in all his dealings and died respected by all who knew him. He and his wife had six children, two of whom are deceased. Our subject is the youngest but one, having a sister still younger than he.

George R. Creedle was but an infant when his parents established their residence in Fulton. Here he grew to manhood, and received a fair education. As soon as he was old enough, he clerked in his father's store, and thus gained his first business experience. In 1891 he embarked in the transfer business in Fulton, and is still engaged in that line of business. Later he also engaged in the handling of wood and coal, and in 1903 he erected a cold storage house, which he now operates, together with a meat market, in conjunction with his other enterprises. In politics he is a stanch Democrat. Religiously he is a Baptist,

and fraternally is a member of the Knights of Pythias order and also the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

On May 7, 1890, he was married to Jennie Van Burton. Mr. and Mrs. Creedle have three children, namely: Claudis Lala, Cleo Poole, Frederick Washington. Mr. Creedle is justly numbered among the leading business men of Fulton, and the prosperity he now enjoys has been attained through his own efforts and good business management.

SOLOMON DREYFUSS.

In introducing to the reader the gentleman whose name forms the caption of this biography, the writer presents one of Paducah's most successful, enterprising and thorough-going business men. Mr. Dreyfuss was born March 12, 1856, in the province of Alsace-Loraine, Germany. His parents were Isaac and Hannah (Deutch) Dreyfuss, both natives of Saarburg, Germany. His paternal grandfather was Samuel Dreyfuss, and his maternal grandfather Judah Deutch, the former a native of Aschaffenburg and the latter of Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Isaac Dreyfuss was a dry-goods merchant, both wholesale and retail. As a merchant he was very successful, and during the year 1870 contracted with the French government to furnish the French army with dry-goods, mattresses and blankets, and in consequence thereof realized large profits. The children born to himself and wife were the following: Jacob, Michael, Nathan, Joseph, Solomon, Julia, wife of Alfred Caen, of Nantes, France, Clementine, wife of Victor Caen, of Saaralben, Germany.

Of these Solomon is the only one now in the United States. He

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came to this country in 1871, when a youth of fifteen years. He had secured a fair education, having been taught the German, French and Hebrew languages. He secured a clerical position in New York city with Scheeuer Brothers, manufacturers of pocket books, valises and similar goods. He continued in this employ till 1876, and after spending a few months at Philadelphia, during the Centenial fair there, Mr. Dreyfuss went to Louisville, Kentucky, and accepted a clerkship with Bamberger, Bloom & Company, wholesale dry-goods and notion merchants, in whose employ he remained till 1879.

Having saved his earnings as a clerk, Mr. Dreyfuss was now financially able to embark in business on his own account, however, on limited capital. He accordingly engaged in the retail dry-goods business under the firm name of S. Dreyfuss & Company, in Louisville. The business was attended with fair success, but after a period of two years he and his brother-in-law, Mr. E. Hesse, consolidated the business of Mr. Dreyfuss and that of his father-in-law, I. Hesse, who had for years conducted a retail dry-goods business in Louisville. The father-in-law withdrew. The consolidated business was conducted under the firm name of Hesse & Dreyfuss until 1886, when Mr. Dreyfuss sold his interest, and became a traveling salesman for the wholesale dry-goods firm of Louis Stix & Company, of Cincinnati, and for whom he traveled until 1888, when he came to Paducah, where, in partnership with the late Herman Weil, he embarked in the wholesale liquor business, under the firm name of Dreyfuss & Weil. Shortly after the death of Mr. Weil in 1896, Mr. W. H. Bowman was admitted to the firm, the style of which then became Dreyfuss, Weil & Company, which style is still retained. As observed above the business was established in 1888. The business

was begun on a small capital, Mr. Dreyfuss and Mr. Weil traveling and remaining in the office alternately. By means of energy, enterprise and fair dealing the firm soon gained both a good business and a desirable standing as a business concern. The business has constantly increased, and to-day the firm has some ten or twelve traveling salesmen on the road, carry an excellent line of goods, conducts a well systematized business and ranks among the leading business concerns of the kind in Kentucky. Dreyfuss, Weil & Company, distillers and wholesale liquor dealers, are sole owners of the following well known and leading brands: Peter Cooper Rye, Eclipse (Nelson county), S. H. Rollins, Old Cold Spring, and Old Dixie.

January 27, 1880, Mr. Dreyfuss married Miss Tillie Hesse, daughter of I. Hesse, of Louisville, Kentucky. Two children, Samuel H. and Aimee, have blessed the marriage and brightened the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dreyfuss. The family are important factors in the social life of Paducah, and are members of the congregation of Temple Israel, of which congregation Mr. Dreyfuss has been a trustee for fifteen years and is now vice president. Often in the absence of the Rabbi he officiates in his stead, Mr. Dreyfuss being able to read and speak the Hebrew language, and thus is well qualified for performing these religious services. For twenty-five years he has been an active and prominent member of the Hebrew Order, Bnai Brith. He is also an influential member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In his deportment toward his fellow men Mr. Dreyfuss is kind and considerate, and esteemed for his fair-mindedness, congeniality, and generosity.

As has already been observed he came to this country when a youth. Possessed of a fair education, noble ambition and indefatigable

determination, he began his business career. By means of applied energy, enterprise and sapient business qualification he has risen in the field of business from a poor youth to a prosperous and busy man, gaining an enviable reputation, and thus becoming the architect of his own fortune and good name.

JOHN HENRY ELSEY, M. D.

The success which is founded upon untiring industry, careful preparation and laudable ambition has come to Dr. John Henry Elsey, of Bardwell, who is to-day successfully practicing his profession, and is one of the most progressive and proficient representatives of the medical fraternity in Carlisle county. He was born upon a farm where now stands the town of Arlington, Carlisle county, on September 27, 1840. His parents were John Montague and Virinda (McDaniel) Elsey. The father's birth occurred in Owen county, Kentucky, in 1812, and the grandfather, John Elsey, was a native of Virginia, whence he came to Kentucky at an early day. He was married in Owen county, this state, and there reared his family. In his later years, however, he removed to southern Indiana and died in Austin, that state, at the advanced age of seventy-eight years. The Doctor's father was born, reared and married in Owen county, and his wife was also a native of that county, while her father, Henry McDaniel, was a native of Virginia. By occupation John M. Elsey was a farmer, and carefully prosecuted his business affairs until he gained a fair measure of success. His political support was given to the Democracy, and both he and his wife were devoted members of the Methodist church, living earnest Christian lives. About 1837 they removed to what is now Carlisle county, but was then a part of Hickman

(later Ballard) county, Kentucky, and here all of their children were born and reared. They became the parents of the following named: William, who is a resident farmer of Carlisle county; John Henry; James Thomas, who died in 1862 when about nineteen years of age; Aaron F., a farmer of Carlisle county; Liburtus, Mary Elizabeth, Martha, Christianberry, all deceased; Jesse Lewis, a farmer residing in Carlisle county; Albert Galliton, a traveling salesman; and Daniel Boone, who is an agriculturist of this county. The father's death occurred in Bardwell in 1896, and the mother passed away in the same place about 1887, when fifty-six years of age. Numbered among the honored pioneer settlers of the county and also among its prominent and respected people, their loss was deeply deplored by their many friends.

Dr. Elsey was reared under the parental roof, and like the other members of the family acquired his education in the public schools near his home. He early became familiar with the duties and labors that fall to the lot of the agriculturist, and in his youth was an active and able assistant in the work of the home farm. In early life he also engaged in teaching school for two years, and when twenty-four years of age took up the study of medicine, having determined to make its practice his life work. His preceptor was Dr. Thomas, of Bardwell, with whom he afterward practiced during the first three years of his professional career. In 1875 Dr. Elsey was graduated from the medical department of the University of Louisville, and since that time he has practiced continuously in Bardwell. He has also been interested in the drug business here for nearly twenty years, and is the owner of a farm, on which he now lives, the place being pleasantly situated about a mile and a half from the city. He is one of the oldest physicians in Carlisle county in years of continuous practice, and has ever maintained a fore-

most postition in the ranks of the medical fraternity, keeping in touch with the most advanced methods of practice and putting forth every effort in his power to alleviate human suffering and check the ravages of disease.

In 1870 was celebrated the marriage of Dr. Elsey and Miss Mary Ellen Lovelace, who was born in Ballard county, Kentucky. They now have three living children: Pearl, Brodehurst and Erichsen. Mrs. Elsey is a most estimable lady, and holds membership in the Baptist church, while the doctor is a member of the Methodist church. His political support is given the Democracy, and, while he is deeply interested in the success of the party, he has never found time nor opportunity to take an active part in political affairs, preferring to give his entire time and attention to his practice, which is continually increasing both in volume and importance. In the line of his profession he is connected with the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society and also with the Carlisle County Medical Society. Anything which tends to bring to man the key to that complex mystery which we call life receives his earnest attention and consideration, and he is quick to adopt new methods which he believes will prove of value in his work, and yet he does not discard the old and time-tried practices which have proved of great value to the profession.

JAMES BRUCE QUIGLEY.

James Bruce Quigley is the oldest native resident of Clinton, Kentucky. He was born in this town, February 21, 1832. His parents were early settlers here, and his father was one of the early merchants of the place, but later removed to Milburn, Kentucky, and there also merchan-

dised for many years, but in his latter days resided on a farm near Milburn, and was engaged in farming at the time of his death.

In tracing the family history of our subject we ascertain that his father, James B. Quigley, was born in Pennsylvania, and when a youth his parents, who were natives of Ireland, removed to Tennessee, where their son grew to manhood and married Martha Ogburn, who was born in Culpeper county, Virginia. She was about fifteen years of age when her parents removed from Virginia to Tennessee. From Tennessee our subject's parents removed to Clinton, Kentucky. The father was a tanner by trade, and operated one of the very first tanneries in the "Purchase." For years he operated a tannery, a shoe shop and general store at Milburn, but as already stated he farmed during the latter portion of his life. His death occurred in 1861, when about sixty-one or two years of age. His wife survived him several years, and at or near the age of eighty years and while residing with her oldest son in the city of Paducah, she passed away in death. She bore her husband the following children: Quintus Quincy Quigley, a prominent lawyer of Paducah; Lafayette, deceased; James B., the subject of this sketch; Henry, deceased; John G., deceased; and Amer O., deceased. The parents were Methodists in church faith, and were respected by all who knew them.

James B. Quigley obtained a fair literary education in the Milburn Academy and Cumberland College, the latter institution being located at Princeton, Kentucky. He entered upon life's career as a merchant at Milburn, but was not in business there long. About 1858 he located in Columbus, Kentucky, and was successfully merchandising there when the Civil war came on. When the Confederate army evacuated Columbus and the Federal army occupied the town, Mr. Quigley, being loyal to the Confederacy, cast his lot and fortune with the southern cause.

All of his merchandise and much other property was confiscated by the Union soldiers, and he lost all. In the spring of 1861 he became a Confederate cavalryman under command of Colonel Outlaw. For three years he rendered service in the Confederate army, and then returned to his home and family and to civil duties in life. Not long after his return he established his family in Ballard county, and engaged in farming and also owned a drug store at Milburn for a number of years. He continued to reside there till 1891, in which year he removed to Clinton, his present place of residence, and retired from active business affairs. He once served as deputy sheriff of Ballard county, and also held other minor offices.

In 1856 Mr. Quigley married Miss Nancy Merriwether, who died about two years after the marriage, leaving but one child, a daughter, Martha by name. March 27, 1861, he married for a second wife Miss Judith E. Hutchinson, a daughter of Joshua and Louise (Moss) Hutchinson, both of whom died when their daughter was an infant. To Mr. and Mrs. Quigley were born five children, namely, Josephine Louise; James Warren, deceased; Lizzie Bruce; Mary Sue; and Celene Kathelene, deceased. Mr. Quigley is a Royal Arch Mason, and both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, and are highly esteemed by all who know them.

HENRY WALTON DAVIS.

Henry Walton Davis, a prominent man and representative citizen of Fredonia, Kentucky, was born in Hopkins county, Kentucky, June 22, 1865, a son of Lewis Hampton Davis, a farmer of Caldwell county, although a native of Hopkins county. There he was reared and married

Tabitha Davis, also born in Hopkins county. The father has always farmed and speculated as a trader. The parents had children as follows: Eolen; Richard W.; Elvira; Henry W.; Dora; and Robert—all of whom were born and reared in Hopkins county, except the youngest, who was born in Caldwell county. In 1870 the family removed to Caldwell county, locating at Princeton, where the father opened a grocery store and continued to operate it several years before he settled upon his farm, located five miles west of Princeton. Nearly all of the improvements upon the place were made by him. In politics he is a stanch Republican, although he has never desired office.

Henry Walton Davis remained at home until he was twenty-three years of age. Until he was eighteen years of age he attended the public schools, but at that time he entered Princeton high school and continued there for about three years. Mr. Davis began teaching school in 1885; he taught in Caldwell county each year save one, during which he taught in Arkansas. Returning, he taught school and farmed for several years in Caldwell county until in 1900 he located in Fredonia, which is now his home, and since that date he has been principal of the Fredonia public schools.

In 1888 he was married to Neeie Elizabeth Blue, a native of Caldwell county, born in 1872, and a daughter of William Blue, a native of Caldwell county, a son of John Blue, one of the pioneers of the county. The mother of Mrs. Davis was Eloise Guess, a native of the same county as her husband, and she bore him three children, namely: Mrs. Davis, Kearney and John, all born and reared in Caldwell county. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Davis, namely: Nellie, Walton, Clay, deceased, Lyman and Eloise, all born and reared in Caldwell county. Mr. Davis is a Democrat in politics and takes an active part in

local affairs. He was appointed city judge of Fredonia in the spring of 1903, and is the present incumbent of this office. He is a member of the Baptist church at Fredonia, while fraternally he is connected with the Woodmen of the World.

JOHN CHOICE.

John Choice, one of the highly respected agriculturists of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in McCracken county, Kentucky, November 30, 1861, and is a son of Edwin and Martha (Myers) Choice, natives of Virginia and Tennessee, respectively. The paternal grandfather was Tully Choice, a native of Virginia, while the maternal grandfather, Thomas Myers, was born in Tennessee. Edwin Choice settled in McCracken county, Kentucky, from Virginia, in 1840 and engaged in farming. Politically he was a Democrat and took an active interest in local affairs. His death occurred in 1892, when he was sixty-six years of age. The mother died in 1892 aged fifty-five years. The children born to these worthy people were as follows: Ella, who married R. C. Potter, a well known farmer of McCracken county; John; and Linn, who is a farmer of McCracken county.

John Choice was educated in McCracken county, and during his younger days was one of the popular teachers of the county, and was also honored with election to various offices on the Democratic ticket. In 1893 Mr. Choice married Cora Stanly, a daughter of Robert Stanly. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Choice are as follows: Tully, Hallie and Nina. Mr. Choice is now a prosperous farmer of this locality, and has reached his present position through untiring effort directed along legitimate lines. During his operations as a farmer Mr. Choice has made many friends, and has the confidence of all who know him.

JAMES EDWARD COYLE, M. D.

James Edward Coyle, M. D., until recently a prominent and successful physician and surgeon of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in Cook county, Texas, January 14, 1862, a son of James Dedrick and Martha (Greene, Thompson) Coyle. The former was born in Arkansas, of French and Irish lineage, and the latter in Tennessee, a member of an honorable old family of that state, of English extraction. The parents were married in Texas, whence they removed, at the close of the Civil war, to southern Illinois. James Dedrick Coyle served four years in the Confederate army during the Civil war, and lived the remainder of his life in western Texas and Indian Territory. He was a stockman by profession, and died at Antioch, Indian Territory, in March, 1900.

Dr. Coyle was left motherless at the age of nine years and was reared by his maternal grandfather, a farmer in southern Illinois. His educational opportunities were very meager, and he was reared to farm work under the discipline of a strict grandparent. An accident which happened to him on September 11, 1881, being wounded by a knife in the left knee, changed the whole current of his life. For two years he was disabled for labor, and thus found a chance to cultivate his mind. Upon recovering the use of his knee, although it has never been completely restored, he attended school and applied himself to such good effect that he secured a teacher's license and taught for four winters in his neighborhood. The medical profession attracted him, but a want of means seemed for a time to preclude his pursuing it. However, he found in Dr. W. W. Stevenson, of Cairo, Illinois, not only a friend, but a preceptor, and by him he was prepared for college, and

in 1892 graduated from the medical department of the University of Tennessee at Nashville.

Dr. Coyle located for practice at Jordan, Fulton county, Kentucky, and remained there until August 20, 1898, when he came to Paducah. His close attention to the duties of his profession gained him the confidence of the public, and he each year became more closely identified with the citizens of this city, who found in him a skilled surgeon and a careful and capable physician. He enjoyed the most cordial relations with brother practitioners, and is a member of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, the McCracken County Medical Society and the Kentucky State Medical Society, and holds fraternal relations with the Knights of Pythias and the Odd Fellows. In political sympathy he is a Democrat. He moved to Shawnee, Oklahoma, the 20th of May, 1903, and is there engaged in a busy practice.

On January 10, 1894, Dr. Coyle was married to Miss Emma Weil, who is a daughter of Louis and Augusta (Miller) Weil, who were natives of Germany. Mrs. Coyle was born at Cairo, Illinois. She was left an orphan in childhood and was reared in the home of Andrew Lohr, of Cairo. The three children born to Dr. and Mrs. Coyle are: Martha Margaret, Edward Weil and Emma Louise.

HARRY J. MOORMAN.

Harry J. Moorman, of Mayfield, is one of the ablest lawyers and most prominent men of the first judicial district of Kentucky, and for six years he has capably and efficiently served as commonwealth's attorney for his district, to which office he was elected as the Democratic candidate, in the fall of 1897. He also served as county attorney of

Graves county two terms, extending from 1886 to 1894. In these positions his services met the most sanguine hopes of his many friends, and reflected credit upon those by whose suffrage he was honored and upon himself as well. Never derelict of duty, his fidelity as a public official was no less manifest at all times and on all occasions than was the excellence of his services. As a guardian of the public safety from lawbreakers and as the prosecutor of the lawless and criminal of the district, his record was such as to place him among the ablest who have held these offices.

In reviewing the life record of this able lawyer and worthy citizen, we discover that he had not the best of opportunities in early life, that he was thrown entirely upon his own resources when a youth, and that inasmuch as he has steadily forged his way to the front rank, he deserves much praise for the success he has achieved. His mother died when he was a child of two years, and he was but twelve years of age when his father died, and then he was taken into the home of his maternal grandparents, where he remained till he was eighteen years of age. He then worked for wages on the farm till he was twenty-one years of age. He had been reared on the farm, and as a farm lad learned the most valuable of lessons, that of industry and perseverance, which traits of character have been uppermost in his career. In the country schools he gained his preliminary education. He then attended Litchfield College, Litchfield, Grayson county, Kentucky, one term, and then the Owensboro Baptist College, at Owensboro, Kentucky, one term. He then read law under his uncle, Judge W. T. Owen, of Owensboro, one year, and in 1874 was admitted to the bar. Immediately thereafter he began the practice of his profession at Calhoun, McLean county, Kentucky, where he remained until the fall of 1875, when he

decided to go to Missouri. He was induced to locate at Charleston, that state, where he practiced his profession till his health became so impaired as to warn him of the danger of remaining in that malarial district. So, accordingly, he left Charleston, and in February, 1878, located in Mayfield, Kentucky, where he has continued to reside and practice his chosen profession. Not long after locating in Mayfield he had gained a good practice and won the confidence of the public, and ever since he has maintained a good and respectable clientage and steadily risen in his profession, as well as in the confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens.

Mr. Moorman was married in 1877 to Miss Sallie Scoggins, of Mayfield. She was born and reared in Graves county, Kentucky. Her father was the late James W. Scoggins. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Moorman, two of whom, a son and a daughter, died in childhood. The surviving children are: Hallie J., Mary L. and Kathleen. Both Mr. and Mrs. Moorman are members of the Missionary Baptist church, and their home is celebrated for its generous hospitality.

Politically Mr. Moorman has always been a true and stanch Democrat. Fraternally he is a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Beside the practice of the law, he is also interested in farming, and owns one of the finest farms in the famous tobacco-growing county of Graves. Mr. Moorman never withholds his support from those measures that tend to the public good, and as a public-spirited and progressive citizen, as an able lawyer, a capable public official, a loyal citizen and faithful friend, he is entitled to the high esteem in which he is held by all who know him.

CHARLES REED.

Charles Reed, known far and near as the popular and successful hotel proprietor of the Palmer House, at Paducah, Kentucky, was born November 4, 1842, at Paducah, and is a son of William H. and Elizabeth (Segenfelter) Reed. His father was born in Virginia and came to Paducah in young manhood. The mother of our subject was born in Germany. The father died when his son was a child, and in 1862 the mother also passed away, leaving him an orphan, the sole member of the family. William H. Reed was a contractor and builder by trade, and both he and wife were estimable people, who had a wide circle of friends on account of their many excellent qualities of head and heart.

Charles Reed was educated at Paducah. At the outbreak of the war, in 1861, although a lad in years, he entered the Confederate army and served faithfully through the war. He enlisted in the Third Kentucky Infantry, under General Tilghman. His company was subsequently mounted, and did effective service under that gallant cavalry leader, General Forrest.

At the close of the war, Mr. Reed returned to Paducah and soon became engaged in a hotel business, first as proprietor of what was then known as the European House. In 1876 he became proprietor of the Richmond House, and this he controlled as the leading hostelry of the city, until 1892, when he became proprietor of the Palmer House. This was a new house, just constructed by the Palmer House Company, of which company Mr. Reed was one of the organizers and a member. This hotel is a handsome, modern structure, of four stories and containing one hundred and sixteen rooms. It is a well conducted and

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luxuriously furnished hotel, and under Mr. Reed's management has become one of the most popular hostelries of the south. The cost of the house approached one hundred and thirty five thousand dollars, and at the same time the company erected a first-class theater building, named "The Kentucky."

Mr. Reed has been a successful business man, and he has also become prominent in political life as a Democrat. From 1881 to 1889 he acceptably served Paducah as mayor, and at present is president of the city board of councilmen. He is a leading Mason, Knight Templar and Odd Fellow. February 9, 1868, he married Miss Jessie B. Wood, whose death occurred in 1890. She left one daughter, Emma L. Mr. Reed has shown indomitable energy in the conduct of his affairs, and owes his success and popularity to his own efforts.

HON. EDWARD CROSSLAND.

Hon. Edward Crossland was one of the ablest lawyers, most profound jurists and statesmen of Kentucky. He was born in Hickman county, Kentucky, June 30, 1827, and died at Mayfield, Kentucky, his home, September 11, 1881. His parents were Samuel and Elizabeth (Harry) Crossland, who were born, reared and married in South Carolina, whence they came to Kentucky in 1820, becoming pioneers of the Jackson Purchase.

Their son, Edward, was reared on the farm, amidst pioneer scenes and environments. He gained a fair education, and farmed for a few years after leaving school. He became the first sheriff of Hickman county after the adoption of the constitution of 1850. He studied law under the direction of Colonel Bowmar, and after being admitted to the bar began his professional career as an associate of Colonels

George W. Silvertooth and W. D. Lannon. From 1857 to 1859 he represented Hickman and Fulton counties in the Kentucky legislature. In 1861 he cast his lot with the Confederacy by enlisting in the First Kentucky Regiment, then under command of Colonel Blanton Duncan and afterwards under Colonel Thomas H. Taylor, of Louisville. He was commissioned captain of his company in Virginia, and served in that capacity one year, when he was promoted to the rank of major, and later to that of lieutenant colonel. Upon the disbandment of the regiment he was assigned to duty as colonel of the Seventh Kentucky Infantry, then in Mississippi, and was in command of the Kentucky brigade with Forrest's cavalry when the war closed.

After the close of hostilities he returned to the practice of law in the first judicial district, his home being at Clinton, Hickman county. In 1866 he was elected judge of the common pleas court of his district. This office he resigned in 1871, and was elected to Congress from the first district of Kentucky, and, being re-elected to Congress, he served two terms, closing in 1875, when he resumed the practice of law at Mayfield, Kentucky. In 1880 he was elected circuit judge of the first judicial district, and served on the circuit court bench until his death. In politics he was a Democrat and fraternally a Mason.

He was deeply cherished in the affections of the people, and his popularity was based upon their unbounded confidence in his ability and integrity. The people understood him, and they loved him because he loved them, and because every pulsation of his heart was in unison with their interests. He had a faculty of seeing things as the people saw them, his thoughts and emotions came from the ready mold of his genius, glowing and commending their own worth to everyone who listened to his words. In this respect he was a born orator. In the

quickness of his perceptions and the rapidity with which his conclusions were reached he had few equals. His firm and deeply grounded principles of truth and honor and patriotism fortified him against the errors and vices of the mere political demagogue. His affections were high and pure and generous, and chief among his traits of character was charity. In him charity of thought, word and deed was one enduring and overpowering enthusiasm. As a soldier he was brave to recklessness of his own life, but the wounding or death of any of those under his command affected him to tears. In his death, his county, district and state lost one of its purest and ablest jurists. He was always kind, courageous, self-sacrificing and devoted. He was a soldier, a lawyer, a jurist, a statesman and a citizen, as well as a hero and patriot.

Upon his death the Graves county bar adopted the following resolutions:

"That in the death of Judge Edward Crossland the people of the first judicial district have been deprived of the services of an eminent and impartial judge; of a lawyer of extraordinary industry, fidelity and ability; sound in judgment and unblemished in integrity.

"That Graves county has sustained a calamity in being deprived of one of her ablest and most highly gifted citizens, who was kind, generous and hospitable and brave, with a heart alive to every noble and magnanimous impulse—whom the people of our own country delighted to honor."

In 1846 Judge Crossland married Miss Mary Hess, born in Trenton, Tennessee, a daughter of Nelson I. and Adeline (Northcutt) Hess. Her father lived in Trenton, Gibson county, Tennessee, and was a physician and also a minister in the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

SAMUEL HESS CROSSLAND.

Samuel Hess Crossland, attorney-at-law, of Mayfield, Kentucky, was born on a farm in Hickman county, Kentucky, August 7, 1849, a son of Judge Edward Crossland. Mr. Crossland was reared in Clinton, Kentucky, and there received his early schooling. In 1867 he entered Washington and Lee University, where he completed a two years' course of study. He then began the study of law under his father, and later attended the law department of the University of Louisville. He was admitted to the bar at Mayfield in 1871, and at once entered upon a successful career as a lawyer. He was elected county attorney for Graves county in 1882, and in 1886 he was elected commonwealth's attorney for the first judicial district. In both of these positions his services were very acceptable to the people. His term of office as commonwealth's attorney expired in January, 1893, and since then he has given his time and energies to the practice of the law. He has enjoyed a constantly increasing practice, and has won for himself an enviable reputation as a lawyer. Mr. Crossland is an able criminal lawyer, and he has no superior in this line of law practice in all of the first congressional district of Kentucky. In politics he is an uncompromising Democrat, and is prominent in the councils of his party. Fraternally he holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias order and Redmen.

In 1873 Mr. Crossland married Miss Martha E. Smith, who was born in Christian county, Kentucky, in 1852, and died in Mayfield in 1892. To this marriage the following children were born: Edward, Nannie, Lal., Caswell Bennett, Kathleen and Samuel Hess.

EDWARD CROSSLAND.

Edward Crossland, oldest son of Samuel H. and Martha E. (Smith) Crossland, was born in Mayfield, Kentucky, March 24, 1875. He was educated in the schools of Mayfield and Center College, Danville, Kentucky. He began the study of law under his father, with whom he is now associated in the practice of law. He was admitted to the bar in 1898. During the Spanish-American war he served in the First Tennessee Regiment as a private. For four months he did service in the Philippine Islands. Like his father, he is an ardent Democrat politically. He is serving as city attorney for Mayfield, and is one of the most promising young attorneys of his judicial district. In 1899 he married Miss Ernestine Taylor, of Clinton, Kentucky, and has two children, namely: Maria Taylor, deceased, and Samuel H., Jr.

EDGAR H. MAJOR.

Edgar H. Major, one of the representative farmers of Christian county, Kentucky, residing near Hopkinsville, was born here on what has long been known as the Major farm, in March, 1860. Madison Major, his father, was a Virginian, who came in early life to Kentucky and settled in Christian county, where he became the owner of about four thousand acres of land. He was killed, in 1876, at the age of sixty-five years. Our subject's mother was, before marriage, Miss Harriet Elmira Garrott. Her father, Isaac Garrott, was one of the wealthy men of Christian county, owning a large tract of land and many slaves. He, too, was a Virginian. His wife, Jane (Radford) Garrott, was a member of a prominent family. Madison and Harriet E. Major were

the parents of fourteen children, all of whom were born in Christian county, and of this number four sons and four daughters are living, and, with one exception, all are in Christian county.

Edgar H. was the tenth in order of birth in the above family. He has spent his life on the farm on which he was born, and has been successfully engaged in agricultural pursuits here all these years. He owns one hundred and eighty-five acres of land.

December 30, 1885, Mr. Major married Miss Ida Wilson, a native of Trigg county, Kentucky, daughter of Hawk and Sallie (Wilford) Wilson, she being the eldest of their six children, four daughters and two sons. Her father died when she was a child, and a few years later she was orphaned by the death of her mother. She was reared by her uncle, Robert Wilford, in Cadiz, the county seat of Trigg county. Both her grandfathers, Joseph Wilson and Bennett Wilford, were early settlers of Kentucky, the former a pioneer of Trigg county, and the latter of Trigg county. Mr. and Mrs. Major have seven children, all at home: Nannie A., U. L., W. A., Edgar H., Jr., Flora Irene, Walter Bennett and Harriet Ida.

Mrs. Major has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church since her thirteenth year. Mr. Major is a Baptist. Politically he has harmonized with the Democratic party since he was old enough to take an interest in public affairs.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BRIGGS.

Benjamin Franklin Briggs, editor and publisher of the Mayfield *Monitor*, was born in Gallatin, Sumner county, Tennessee, August 27, 1848, and is a son of William McWhirter and Julia (Watwood) Briggs,

the former of whom was born in Bardstown, Kentucky, in 1814 and died at Jonesboro, Illinois, in 1876, while the latter was a native of Tennessee and died at Gallatin, that state, in 1854. They were married in 1839, and in 1840 moved to Sumner county, Tennessee.

Benjamin F. Briggs was reared upon a farm until he was ten years of age, then accompanied his father when the family removed first to Nashville, then to Jonesboro and finally to Mayfield. In the various places he obtained a fair common school education, and also clerked in the dry-goods store of his father until the latter left Mayfield and returned to Jonesboro. He then took up the printer's trade, and, rising steadily, in 1873 became editor and proprietor of the *Banner of Temperance,* which he established in Mayfield, but in 1875 he changed its name to that of *Monitor*, and has continued to edit that publication, which he issues as a weekly. In politics he is a Democrat. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal church. Fraternally he is a member of the Knights of Pythias order and of the Knights of Honor.

On April 26, 1883, he was married to Miss Mary Rives, a daughter of John W. Rives, a pioneer settler of Mayfield, Kentucky, in which city he was for many years a prominent tobacco merchant and now at the age of eighty-four years is one of the oldest citizens of the county. He was born in Virginia and came to Graves county in 1850, where he has since resided. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs have one child, Nell, at home. Mrs. Briggs has conducted a millinery store in Mayfield for about ten years, meeting with very pleasing success. She is a member of the Baptist church, but her daughter is a member of the Methodist church, and both ladies are very well and favorably known throughout the community, as is also Mr. Briggs.

SAMUEL PAYTON VAUGHN.

Samuel Payton Vaughn, who is now connected with the Carlisle Manufacturing Company of Bardwell, has spent his entire life in Carlisle county, where he has usually been identified with farming or carpentering. He is a self-made man, and whatever success he has achieved is the direct result of his own efforts.

Mr. Vaughn was born April 20, 1848, on a farm about seven miles east of Bardwell. His paternal grandfather, Benjamin Vaughn, was a resident of White county, Tennessee, and died during the boyhood of his son, James Madison Vaughn. The latter was born in White county, Tennessee, in 1826, and remained there until eighteen years of age, when he came to what is now Carlisle county, then a part of Ballard county, Kentucky. Here he was married to Miss Winnie Hawes, who was born in Butler county, Kentucky, about 1828, a daughter of Samuel Hawes, who was one of the honored pioneer settlers of what is now Carlisle county. He arrived here when Indians still resided in this locality, and he lived amid frontier environments, sharing in the hardships and trials of life on the frontier and taking an active part in promoting the development of the county. He continued to live here from 1829 until his death, which occurred about 1878. He was one of Kentucky's native sons, his birth having occurred in Butler county, whence he removed to Ballard county, then embracing the district now contained within the borders of Carlisle county. His wife was a daughter of Payton Brown, who was a soldier of the Revolutionary war, and our subject now has in his possession a cup which his great-grandfather made from a cow's horn and carried during that long struggle for independence, using it as a drinking cup.

James M. Vaughn spent his last days in Butler county, Kentucky, where he died in 1860. He had for some time been following his trade of wagon making in the town of Rochester, and it was there that his death occurred. His wife died in Blandville, Ballard county, at the home of her son, Samuel P., in the year 1878. In their family were eight children, six of whom reached years of maturity, while only two are living at this writing (1903).

With the exception of about four years during which his parents resided in Butler county, Kentucky, Samuel P. Vaughn spent his boyhood and youth in Carlisle county, and in fact his entire life has been passed here. He had the opportunity of securing only a limited education. In early life he learned the carpenter's trade, beginning his apprenticeship at the age of seventeen years. During almost his entire life he has followed carpentering and farming, and his life has been one of unfaltering industry, that element of his character being the basis of all his success. In 1900 he came to Bardwell and purchased an interest in the Carlisle Manufacturing Company, incorporated, manufacturers of and dealers in doors, sash, moulding, brackets and all kinds of building materials, including both rough and dressed lumber. He began his business career a poor man, but has met with fair success in life, and is now accounted one of the substantial citizens of this community.

In April, 1870, Mr. Vaughn was united in marriage to Miss Susanna Hurd, a native of Carlisle county and a daughter of John and Nancy (Lovelace) Hurd. For thirty years they traveled life's journey happily together, and Mrs. Vaughn was then called to her final rest, on the 31st of January, 1900, at the age of fifty-one years. They were the parents of eight children, four sons and four daughters: Lulu May, who was the wife of W. L. Tegethoof and died at the age of twenty-eight years,

leaving five children: Ora Anna, who is the wife of William Kendall, of Carlisle county; William B., who is associated with his father in business; Samuel Edgar, who married Cora Beard and follows agricultural pursuits in Carlisle county; George Thomas, an engineer residing in Bardwell, married Pearl Jackson; Maggie Lovinia, Lolah Payton and Robert Madison, all at home.

Mr. Vaughn exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the Democracy, and since August, 1869, he has been connected with the Odd Fellows society, belonging to Bardwell Lodge No. 179. When seventeen years of age he joined the Missionary Baptist church, of which he was a member for eighteen years thereafter. His wife was a member of the same church for about fourteen years, and then she and her eldest daughter withdrew from that church and joined the Christian church, and soon afterward Mr. Vaughn also put his membership with the latter denomination, of which he is now a devoted adherent. His life has ever been honorable, upright and useful, and his record should serve as a source of inspiration and encouragement to others who have to begin life empty-handed, for his career demonstrates that success is not a matter of genius but the result of clear judgment, experience and industry.

SAMUEL BILLINGSLEY CALDWELL.

For many years the subject of this sketch, Samuel Billingsley Caldwell, has figured as a prominent and influential citizen of Paducah, Kentucky. He was born amid pioneer scenes in west Tennessee, in Henry county, November 2, 1824, son of John L. and Myra (Morgan) Caldwell, the former born in South Carolina, October 26, 1796; the

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latter born near Raleigh, North Carolina, in 1800. The paternal grandfather, Matthew Caldwell, was of Scotch descent, his progenitor having come from Scotland to America in the colonial period; in South Carolina the family tree was planted, grew and flourished. The Calhoun family, to which the famous John C. Calhoun belonged, were related to the Caldwells. Matthew Caldwell was a farmer and was an early settler in the Green river valley of Kentucky. He settled in Warren county in 1806. Later in life, in 1820, he removed to Missouri and took up his residence in Gasconade county, where he died in 1840, at an advanced age.

Myra (Morgan) Caldwell, on the maternal side, traced her ancestry back to Ireland; her grandfather, Charles Richardson, was a native of the north of Ireland, and a Revolutionary soldier. John Morgan, her father, was a native of North Carolina, of Scotch-Irish descent. He became one of the early settlers of Warren county, Kentucky, where he lived and died.

John L. Caldwell and wife spent the most of their lives in Kentucky, but from 1823 to 1825 resided in Henry county, Tennessee. In 1825 they moved to Calloway county, Kentucky, and in 1834 to McCracken county. By occupation he was a farmer. He died in 1863, at the age of sixty-seven years; his wife being about fifty-seven at the time of her death. They had nine children, of whom three are living, Samuel B. being their fourth born.

Samuel B. Caldwell was reared in Kentucky, back to which state his parents moved from Tennessee when he was three months old. In March, 1834, they settled on land six miles south of Paducah, which was the family home until 1849, when it was changed to the eastern part of the county, where the parents died. From the time he was

ten years old Mr. Caldwell has lived in McCracken county. His school advantages in early life were limited to about six weeks during the year, after the crop was planted and matured. He improved his time, however, by home study on rainy days and Sundays, and at night by the aid of the tallow candle or the firelight. At the age of twenty-one he left the parental home and went out to make his own way in the world as a surveyor and civil engineer. In this occupation he was engaged for six years or more, following which time he was blind three years. This blindness caused him to turn his attention to the study of diseases of the eye, and even before he recovered his sight he took up the study of medicine and pursued a course in the Missouri University of Medicine. After his marriage, which event occurred in 1856, he settled on a tract of land and developed a farm in McCracken county. Here he established an eye infirmary, and successfully treated diseases of the eye, continuing this practice until 1870. Also at intervals he was engaged in surveying. About 1870 he became interested in other enterprises, giving much attention to real estate and its improvement. He disposed of no less than one hundred thousand acres of Texas lands. Besides his real estate sales in Texas, he has bought and sold much property here and elsewhere, meeting with marked success in this line of business. Since 1870 his home has been near the city of Paducah, with the growth and development of which he has been closely identified.

Mr. Caldwell has never been in politics to any extent, but is a Democrat. For many years he has been a church member. After having been identified with the Methodist church for forty years, he joined the Old School Presbyterians, of which his wife was a member, and with which he is at present identified.

Mrs. Caldwell was before her marriage Miss Elizabeth Napier, of Boyle county, Kentucky. She died November 13, 1902. Four children came to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell, of whom two are deceased. James W. died at the age of twenty-seven years; Samuel B., Jr., is a prominent young attorney of Paducah; Mary Elizabeth is the wife of E. L. Mallory, of Paducah; and Reuben D. died at the age of twenty-seven years.

Mr. Caldwell has led an exemplary moral and consistent Christian life. His business career has been one of remarkable success, and owing to the fact that he began it under none too favorable circumstances and yet having so well succeeded, his success in life should encourage the young man who is about to begin a business or professional life whether under favorable or unfavorable circumstances. The secrets of his success have rested in his keeping in harmony with the administration of the laws of health and hygiene and the higher laws of honesty, truth, justice and kindness. To do which insures the highest possible success in life, a happy death and blissful immortality.

As a surveyor and civil engineer, Mr. Caldwell, when about entering the field of business affairs, became a trusted employee of Mr. G. W. Norton and brother, W. F. Norton, who purchased, surveyed and sold thousands of acres of farm lands and other real estate in Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri and Texas. In Mr. G. W. Norton, then of Louisville, with whom closer business relations were held for a period of more than twenty years, Mr. Caldwell recognized unsurpassed business ability. Mr. Norton and his brother were sagacious business men. Mr. G. W. Norton was especially successful in business affairs, and possessed a trait of character, which for twenty years Mr. Caldwell closely studied, at last discovering that he possessed not a trait of mind

uncommon to all men, but that Mr. Norton's secret of success lay in the fact that when he heard and analyzed a business proposition, he promptly acted upon the first impression or intuition presented to his mind concerning the proposition, be that impression favorable or unfavorable. He never dallied with arguments pro and con, but acted in harmony with suggestions of an inward monitor, which governed his first impression concerning a business proposition. This made Mr. Norton the sapient business man that he was, and, having discovered the secret of Mr. Norton's success, Mr. Caldwell has ever operated in business by utilizing the secret which made his old employer and friend so successful. No one is without this intuition, and success may be had by acting in lines suggested by this inward monitor. Failures follow because men do not discover and heed this inward monitor. Surely the remarkable success achieved both by Mr. Norton and Mr. Caldwell evidences the wisdom of this philosophy, which is worthy of earnest consideration if success is sought.

WILLIAM PICKNEY LEE.

William Pickney Lee, attorney-at-law in Mayfield, Kentucky, was born at Canton, Trigg county, this state, December 25, 1853, and is a son of B. P. and Martha F. (Cotton) Lee. The father was born in Stewart county, Tennessee, and was a son of Anthony Lee, a native of North Carolina. In his native county the father was married, and received his education there. The mother was also a native of Tennessee. The young couple located at Dover, Tennessee, where the father embarked in a mercantile business. From there they removed to Lafayette, Christian county, Kentucky, and thence to Canton, where

he was also a merchant. From there the father and a brother, A. G. Lee, went to Paducah and bought the dry-goods business of Lane & Boyd, and continued successful merchants until 1857, when they erected the first steam flouring mill of Paducah, and conducted it until the outbreak of the Civil war. The mill was seized by the Federal troops, and the father removed to Marshall county, Tennessee, where he died in December, 1864, aged fifty-four years. The mother died in 1881, aged sixty-seven years. They had but two children who lived, our subject and a daughter now deceased.

From the age of eight years, William P. Lee was reared upon the farm, and he attended the county schools and Benton Academy. After completing his education, he taught school for some five years, and during this time began the study of law under Judge Philander Palmer, at Benton, and in December, 1876, was admitted to the bar. He began the practice of his profession at Benton. In August, 1878, he was elected county judge of Marshall county, and re-elected in 1882, serving two terms of four years each. In October, 1886, he removed to Mayfield, Kentucky, his present home, and has there built up a very desirable practice. In November, 1892, he was again honored, being elected to the office of county judge of Graves county, and served a short term of three years. From 1888 to 1894 he served as chairman of Graves county Democratic committee, and has always been very prominent in party matters.

In 1877 he was married to Miss Dora A. Chiles, of Marshall county, Kentucky, who was born in Graves county, a daughter of Dr. W. T. Chiles. Two daughters have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee, namely: Donna Deane and Clarice. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lee are consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. There are

few people more widely known or generally liked than Mr. Lee and his charming wife, and visitors to their home are received with a gracious hospitality which is characteristic of the true southerner.

WILLIAM R. MIZELL.

This bright and energetic young lawyer of Mayfield, Kentucky, is the son of John Henry and Anne (Smith) Mizell, both natives of Tennessee, the former born April 10, 1833, and died in Carlisle county, Kentucky, April 24, 1903, and the latter born in 1843. The father moved from Tennessee to Hickman county, Kentucky, in 1880, and in 1890 removed to Carlisle county and there lived till he died. At the beginning of the Civil war in 1861, he enlisted in the Confederate army in the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Tennessee Regiment, and served till 1865. He participated in the battles of Shiloh and Corinth. He was married in 1868, and his wife is still living in Carlisle county. Their children are: Mary, the wife of George W. Jarvis, a prominent farmer of Carlisle county, Kentucky; Della, the wife of I. B. Mosby, a wealthy farmer of Arlington, Kentucky; Laura, the wife of W. B. Berry, a farmer and stock-raiser of Carlisle county, Kentucky; our subject; Daisy, wife of Forrest Pryor, a farmer of Ballard county, Kentucky; Miss Alma, a school teacher of Arlington, Kentucky, and Ethel.

William R. Mizell is the only brother of these sisters, and was born in Humphreys county, Tennessee, March 24, 1877. He was educated in the graded school of Arlington, and from 1898 to 1900 attended the Southern Normal University of Huntingdon, Tennessee. He studied law, which he had chosen for a life pursuit, under R. J. Bugg, now circuit judge of Carlisle county, and was admitted to the bar in

1902. He opened an office in Mayfield, Kentucky, and in a short period of his practice has been doing well, and is already spoken of as one of the reliable and keen attorneys of the town, with prospects of a bright future before him. Like his father, he is a Democrat, and takes a good citizen's interest in public affairs.

HENRY CLAY SHELTON.

Henry Clay Shelton, one of the older and favorably known men of Graves county, was born in Montgomery county, Kentucky, December 26, 1836, a son of Richmond T. Shelton, who was born in 1807, in Pittsylvania county, Virginia, and who died in Stewart county, Tennessee, December 31, 1844. He was a son of Lemuel Shelton, born, reared, lived and died in Virginia, living to be over one hundred years of age. The family is an old one, and its early members did gallant service in the Revolutionary war.

The father of our subject was reared in Virginia, and when a young man went to Montgomery county, Tennessee, and there married Miss Colie S. Keatts, who was born in Pittsylvania county, Virginia, and was a daughter of a pioneer of Montgomery county, Tennessee. She lived to be nearly ninety-three, and her death occurred in Graves county. Not long after their marriage the parents settled on a farm in Montgomery county, Kentucky, but in 1843 they removed to Stewart county, Tennessee, where the father died. Subsequent to his death the family moved back to Montgomery county, and there our subject made his home until 1874, when he settled in Graves county, Kentucky. The family of which he was a member was as follows: Nancy Ann, deceased, married Daniel Lewis; Mary Jane married Jarrett Avertt, of

Graves county, and in her home her mother died; Martha E., deceased, married W. A. Freeman; Henry Clay; Elbridge M., of Mayfield; and Thomas L., of Calloway county, Kentucky, a Baptist preacher. The father was a Whig in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The early death of the father made the youth of Henry C. Shelton a very hard one, as he was thrown upon his own resources very early in life, and in consequence thereof received a limited education. At first he worked upon the farm in his youth, but later learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked a number of years. After settling in Graves county he farmed for three years, and then, on account of his health, quit the farm and engaged in the grocery business. After a time, however, he returned to the farm. He began life as a poor man, but his life has by no means been a failure, for he has usually in his various undertakings met with fair success.

February 11, 1864, he married, in Montgomery county, Tennessee, Mary E. Harris, born in Todd county, Kentucky, and brought by her parents to Montgomery county, Tennessee, when twelve or fourteen years old. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Shelton are as follows: John H., a successful physician of Jordan Springs, Tennessee; William E., a carriage and vehicle dealer, of Mayfield, Kentucky, and a prominent man in business circles; Ida, who died at the age of eighteen years; Hervey G., a railroad employe of Louisville, Kentucky; James M., a farmer; Robert T., a liveryman of Mayfield; Minnie May and Rubie, both at home. In politics Mr. Shelton was a Democrat, and is now a strong Prohibitionist. He served six years as constable and four years as magistrate in Tennessee, and for four years he has served as a magistrate in Graves county. For nine years he has been representing the

Home Fire Insurance Company, of New York. He and his wife are consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which they take an active part. Fraternally he is a Master Mason, and is past master of his lodge. Mr. Shelton has a pleasant home near the city of Mayfield, and is numbered among the representative men of his county.

THOMAS M. CLARK.

Thomas M. Clark, one of the prosperous residents of Graves county, Kentucky, was born in this county, January 28, 1863. He is a son of Andrew and Martha (Vaughn) Clark, both born in Trigg county, Kentucky. The father was a farmer, and moved to Graves county, Kentucky, in 1861, becoming very successful and now owning a very fine farm three miles east of Mayfield, on the Wadesborough road. Andrew Clark is a son of William Clark, who was also a prosperous and highly respected man. In politics Andrew Clark is a Democrat, while religiously he is a member of the Christian church.

The maternal grandfather of our subject was Willis Vaughn, and the mother died March 16, 1902, aged sixty years, but the father is living, aged sixty-five years, in most excellent health. The children born to these parents were: William W.; Susan J.; Thomas M.; Lucy B.; John D.; Phoebe A., who died at the age of thirty-one years; Mary E.; and George W.

Thomas M. Clark was reared on the farm and educated in Graves county, and has succeeded in his life work of farming, now owning a fine farm on the Columbus road, about three miles west of Mayfield, In politics he, like his father, is a Democrat.

Mr. Clark was married in Graves county, January 21, 1891, to

Miss Carrie Coreno Overbey, who was born in this county January 20, 1873, a daughter of John O. and Mattie O. (Carter) Overbey. To this union children as follows were born: Thomas D., born April 1, 1894; Novvie Isabelle, born February 15, 1897; Earl O., born April 12, 1899; Lester, born August 8, 1901; and Willie May, born September 15, 1903. The family all reside in their pleasant home, where all friends are always cordially welcomed. Mr. Clark is a man who is very highly esteemed in the neighborhood for his many excellent traits of character.

ANDY RODGERS.

Andy Rodgers, one of the successful residents of Graves county, Kentucky, and a man highly esteemed by all who know him, was born in Calloway county, Kentucky, June 9, 1854, and is a son of Latt and Rebecca (Bowlen) Rodgers, both born in eastern Tennessee. The paternal grandfather was Zacariah Rodgers, while the maternal grandfather was Robert Bowlen.

Latt Rodgers was a farmer and resided in Kentucky, being in politics an old-time Democrat, and a member of the Baptist church for forty years. Although eighty-two years of age, he still holds to his opinions with regard to politics and religion, and is a very energetic and pleasant old gentleman. His wife died about fifteen years ago, when she was seventy-two years of age. Ten children were born to this worthy couple, namely: Samuel W., Reuben, Martha, Devina, John W., and Fereby, deceased; William R.; Andrew; Sarah C., deceased; and Mary A.

Andy Rodgers was born and reared in Calloway county, and never had the advantages of an education, but did learn how to conduct a farm, so that he has been able to become quite successful, and now owns

a good farm, which is well improved. As all of his family, he is a Democrat and a member of the Baptist church.

On March 4, 1879, he married Miss Nancy Wyatt, who was born in Calloway county, December 20, 1860. Eight children have been born to this family, namely: John W., James H., deceased, Sarah E., Thomas H., Jefferson, Osie L., Mary J., deceased, and Samuel W.

Having been forced to labor against many disadvantages, the success which has come to Mr. Rodgers is all the more welcome, and his many excellent qualities are all the more appreciated by those who know him and understand how hard a fight he has made.

THADDEUS W. FARRELL.

Thaddeus W. Farrell, a prominent and representative agriculturist of Graves county, is a native of the Old Dominion, his birth having occurred in Mecklenburg county, Virginia, on the 26th of October, 1844. He is a son of Drewey A. and Mary B. (Keton) Farrell, also natives of that commonwealth, the former having been born in Charlotte county and the latter in Mecklenburg county. A sister of the latter named Katharine Keton married Dick Colley, in Mecklenburg county, and they reared fourteen children to years of maturity, a remarkable fact being that in this large family a physician was never employed or a prescription filled. Four of these children, Maggie, Sophia, Isabelle and Luther, now reside on the old homestead of two hundred and sixteen acres. Drewey A. Farrell, the father of our subject, followed the tilling of the soil as a life occupation, and in 1858 took up his abode in Christian county, Kentucky, while three years later, in 1861, he removed to Graves county, this state. He gave his political support to the Democratic

party, and religiously was a member of the Baptist church, passing away in the faith of that denomination in 1863, but his wife survived until 1880, when she joined him in the home beyond. Five children came to brighten and bless the home of this worthy couple, as follows: Addison, whose death occurred in 1859; Ella C., also deceased, her death occurring in 1884; Salute E., who was born in 1837; Thaddeus W.; and Levenia, who was born in 1848.

Thaddeus W. Farrell accompanied his parents on their removal to this county, and here he was reared to years of maturity and received his early educational training. Choosing the vocation of farming, he has made this his life work, and as one of its devotees has met with a very high degree of success. His excellent business ability was demonstrated in early life, when his father gave him an old horse and instructed him to give it to an aged negro who lived on the farm. On the way, however, he met a traveler and with him traded horses, our subject later selling his for a fair price. To-day he is recognized as one of the leading agriculturists of Graves county, and he owns considerable real estate on the Columbus road, one mile from Mayfield. He, too, gives his political support to the principles of Democracy, and, although he has never sought or desired the honors of public office, he was appointed as superintendent of the Graves county almshouse, which position he continued to fill with ability for ten years, but he now gives his entire attention to his own personal property.

The marriage of Mr. Farrell was celebrated in December, 1870, when Miss Jennie Northington became his wife. She is a native daughter of the old Blue Grass state, her birth having occurred in Christian county. Six children have blessed this union: William M., Mary B., Leonora, Allen M., Roy, and Donnie.

KING S. SANDERSON.

King S. Sanderson, one of the prosperous residents of Graves county, Kentucky, was born in this county, December 5, 1858. He is a son of James and Malinda (Sullivan) Sanderson, the former was born in Tennessee, and his father, Jacob, and his wife's father, John Sullivan, were both of Irish descent, born in Tennessee. James Sanderson was a farmer, and made his home in Graves county. In politics he was an ardent Democrat, while in his religious affiliations he was a prominent Primitive Baptist in belief. His death occurred in Graves county in 1902, when he was eighty-three years of age. The mother, who was born in Tennessee, is still living, aged seventy-two years. To these good people were born children as follows: Sarah; John W.; Robert, deceased; Jane, deceased; Frank; King S.; Ada; Martha and Mary, twins, deceased in infancy; Malinda, deceased; and Mela.

King S. Sanderson was reared and educated in Graves county, attending the public schools. His first life work consisted in farming and trading stock, and he has continued along these lines, meeting with marked success. His farm is an excellent one, all in a good state of cultivation. In politics he is a Democrat, while he early joined with the Primitive Baptist church, towards which he gives liberally.

In 1880 he was married to Miss Emily A. Rodgers, who was born in Graves county, September 2, 1862, and ten children have been born to them, namely: Elbert C., deceased; Dona A., born July 7, 1884; Beva Ethel, April 30, 1886; Orbin T., March 7, 1888; Prentiss R., February 18, 1890; Roscoe, January 19, 1892; Osig, September 12, 1893; Edna E., September 22, 1895; Dallia V., who died at the age of

two; Genevia G., January 2, 1901. Mr. Sanderson is one of the prosperous young farmers of the county, and very highly respected by all who know him.

JOHN GRANT BROOKS, M. D.

John Grant Brooks, M. D., of Paducah, Kentucky, one of the leading physicians of McCracken county, was born in Montgomery county, Tennessee, on a farm, on a portion of which the present city of Guthrie is now located. The date of his birth was October 5, 1840, and he is a son of James Cary and Narcisis (Brown) Brooks, both natives of Tennessee and descendants of old Virginia stock. The father was a farmer by occupation, and in 1851 removed from Tennessee, settling in Ballard county, Kentucky. There he resided nearly twenty years, when he moved to McCracken county and settled near Paducah. His life was devoted to farming, and he lived to be nearly eighty years of age, his death occurring in 1894, in the private sanitarium of our subject, who tenderly cared for him in the declining days of his exemplary life. He was an ardent Democrat and also a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, but his wife was a member of the Baptist church; she preceded him in death several years. They had nine children, of whom Dr. Brooks and two sisters are now living.

Dr. J. G. Brooks was given in youth the advantages of the common schools, but in July, 1861, when not yet twenty-one years of age, he enlisted as a private in Company D, Third Kentucky Volunteer Infantry, Confederate army, and was in the war until its close. The last three years he served as orderly sergeant, participating in the battles of Shiloh, Baker's Creek, Harrisburg, siege of Vicksburg, siege of Jackson, and in all of General Forrest's campaigns. At the close of the war Dr.

J. L. Brooks, M. d.

Brooks returned home and found his father financially ruined. He at once began his endeavors to restore prosperity, and engaged in farming. In the winter of 1865-66 he attended Eureka College (Eureka, Illinois), and at the end of his term returned home and took up the study of medicine. He entered the University of Tennessee, at Nashville, in the medical department in the fall of 1866. In 1868 he was graduated from Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, and immediately began his professional career at Paducah, where he continued in practice until August, 1872. At that time he went to Sandwich Islands, and for two years was associated with Dr. J. B. Sanders, who had preceded him to the islands. In 1874 Dr. Brooks returned to the United States and resumed his practice at Paducah, in which city he has continued to reside. He rose very rapidly in his profession and soon took rank among the ablest and most prominent physicians and surgeons of the state. In 1883 Dr. Brooks established a private sanitarium in Paducah, which he maintained and continued with pleasing success for some ten or twelve years, and then discontinued it because of the tiresome duties relative thereto. In this work Dr. Brooks was a pioneer in Kentucky, and his success has been an encouragement to others. While his practice has been general, he has done much surgical work, displaying unusual skill as a surgeon.

Dr. Brooks was an orginator of the Paducah Medical and Surgical Society, of which he has continued a prominent member and served as president. In addition he is also a member of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, of the Kentucky State Medical Association, of which he has been president, of the Mississippi Valley Medical Society, of the American Medical Association and of the International Medical Congress. For four years he was city physician for Paducah; for four

years he was a member of the city council and for a like period member of city board of education. He is now a member of the city council and has always taken a profound interest in the growth and development of Paducah. In fraternal relations he is a Master Mason, politically a Democrat, and of the Christian church has long been a prominent member.

In 1865 Dr. Brooks married Miss Mary King, a daughter of the late Hon. John Q. A. King, who served as governor of Kentucky. Five children were born to this marriage, namely: King, a prominent dentist of Paducah; James, an electrician of Jackson, Tennessee; Overton was a cadet at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, and is now in the United States navy service; John, a druggist; and Miss Ethel. Mrs. Brooks is also a member of the Christian church, and is a very accomplished lady. In 1892 Dr. Brooks erected a beautiful home in Paducah, one of the finest in the city, and there his wife and family dispense a generous hospitality. Dr. Brooks has always been a student and manifested progressive spirit. He possesses a fine literary and scientific library, his medical collection being one of the most complete in the state. In his bearing toward his fellow men he is both genial and considerate, and his friends are legion. Of sound convictions, and possessing a free, frank disposition, he is not reserved in matters of principle nor in his position on public questions, but openly gives his support to people and measures of which he approves. His fidelity and friendship and nobility of purposes have won for him the universal respect of all who know him.

LEMUEL HARRISON JAMES.

Lemuel H. James, one of the ablest lawyers and best known men of Kentucky, now practicing at the bar of Marion, where his marked capability has gained him distinction, was born in Smith county, Tennessee, on the 9th of January, 1844. His parents were Bartley Anderson and Mary Elizabeth (Tucker) James, the former a native of North Carolina and the latter of Tennessee. They were the parents of twelve children, of whom Lemuel H. was the youngest save one. All are deceased save our subject and William D. James.

He was twelve years of age when the family came to Crittenden county, and in the schools near his home he continued his education until his mother died. He was then, at the age of fourteen years, thrown upon his own resources, and whatever success he has since achieved is the result of his own efforts. He worked on the farm during the seasons when crops were to be harvested, and in the winter months attended short terms of school, thus acquiring his education at his own expense and under unfavorable circumstances. The schools were then of somewhat inferior order, and his opportunities were meager, but by coming in contact with intellectual people, and through his own continuous and earnest study and investigation he has made himself a well informed man of scholarly attainments.

In June, 1863, when nineteen years of age, Mr. James volunteered for military service, and enlisted in Company E, Forty-eighth Kentucky Infantry, Federal army. His company was mounted, and he did service for almost two years, although the term of his enlistment was for twelve months. Returning from the field of battle, Mr. James took up again the quiet pursuits of peace, giving his attention to farming, which

he followed with a fair measure of success until 1874. In 1867 he had served as justice of the peace, and on entering the office he took up the study of law, and was admitted to the bar in 1869. In 1874 he was elected to the position of prosecuting attorney for Crittenden county, and in the same year established his home in Marion, where he has since continued to reside. He discharged the duties of his office so acceptably that in 1878 he was re-elected, and when he left the office four years later, he still retained the confidence and regard which he had enjoyed on entering the public service. For years he has been actively and successfully engaged in the practice of law, and now has a distinctively representative clientage, connecting him with most of the important litigation tried in the courts of his district. He is very thorough and careful in the preparation of his cases, is sound in argument, forcible in the presentation of his cause, and his arguments follow in logical sequence, showing the correctness of his deductions and his line of reasoning.

On the 26th of April, 1862, Mr. James wedded Miss Elizabeth J. Brailey, and to them have been born the following named: Mary E., William H., deceased; Flora, deceased; Edgar H., Ollie M., Rubie and Rodney H., but the last named is now deceased.

Mr. James has steadily advanced to the goal of success, and he deserves much credit for what he has achieved, as he started out in life a poor boy, having to provide his own education and to depend upon his own resources and capability, but eventually these have won him rank among the foremost lawyers and business men of the state. He has always been a stanch Democrat in his political views. Since 1870 he has been a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity, is also mem-

ber of Knights of Honor. A leading and influential citizen of Crittenden county, the force of his character, his strong determination and laudable ambition furnish an example well worthy of emulation.

HON. OLLIE M. JAMES.

Hon. Ollie M. James, a member of Congress from the first district of Kentucky, was born in Crittenden county, this state, July 27, 1871, his birthplace being his father's farm. He is a son of the Hon. L. H. James, whose sketch appears above. When he was only two years of age the family home was established in Marion, where he was reared and acquired a good academic education. He then studied law under the direction of his father, and in 1890, when not twenty years of age, he was admitted to the bar, since which time he has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession in association with his father.

Mr. James has been an active Democrat from an early age, doing much campaign work as a political speaker and in other ways. In 1896 he was a delegate to the Democratic national convention at Chicago, and was then chairman of the Kentucky delegation, being the youngest man to hold a position of that character. In 1900 he was chairman of the Kentucky state convention of the Democratic party, held in Louisville, and in 1902 he was invited by Colonel William Jennings Bryan and other Nebraska Democrats to address the Nebraska Democratic state convention at Grand Island, which invitation he accepted, delivering an address of power and force which was enthusiastically received. In 1902 he became the nominee of his party as its candidate for Congress, and at the fall election of that year was chosen by popular suffrage for the office. On the 4th of March, 1903, he qualified as a member of

Congress. He is a man of large stature and commanding appearance, and speaks with the eloquence and wisdom of one of years of public service, experience and research rather than as one of the youngest members to be found in the national chambers of the nation. True to principle, conviction and his constituency, and possessed of rare fitness for congressional duties, the uniform prediction of his many friends is that his congressional career will be brilliant and that he will fully live up to the expectations of those who have honored him by electing him to this responsible office.

GREEN W. BENNETT.

Green W. Bennett, who is engaged in the grocery business at Maxon Mill, McCracken county, Kentucky, is a well known citizen and energetic factor in his locality. A brief review of his life is as follows:

Green W. Bennett was born in the neighboring state of Tennessee, his birth occurring in Benton county, in 1860. He is a son of William and Winnie L. (Cunningham) Bennett, the former a native of Alabama and the latter of Tennessee. William Bennett went to Tennessee in early life, married in that state and lived there until 1865, when he removed with his family to Kentucky and settled on a farm in McCracken county, where he passed the rest of his life engaged in agricultural pursuits, and where he died in the year 1900, at the age of seventy-four. He left four sons and one daughter, namely: Green W., Charlie, Jesse, Fayette and Mattie. Mattie is the wife of Bud Dale, of Denton, Texas. Formerly Mr. and Mrs. Dale were residents of Paducah, where they were proprietors of the New Richmond Hotel from 1895 to 1898, and did a prosperous business.

At the time the Bennett family removed from Tennessee to Ken-

tucky and settled in McCracken county, Green W. was a lad of five years, and in this county he was reared and received his schooling. On reaching maturity he engaged in the grocery business in what is now known as Maxon Mill. The right kind of methods and close attention to business, together with the genial personality of Mr. Bennett, have brought him success. He is well known throughout the county, and enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him.

Mr. Bennett was married in 1887 to Miss Daisy Maxon, and their union has been blessed in the birth of seven children, four of whom are living and being educated in Paducah: Francesca Jessie, Kimsworth, Porter Lowrey, and Atchison.

THOMAS K. NEWMAN.

Thomas K. Newman, one of the prosperous residents of Graves county, Kentucky, was born in Webster county, this state, August 14, 1872. He is a son of Willoughby P. and Sallie J. (Handcock) Newman, the former of whom was born in Henderson county, Kentucky, and is a son of Thomas K. Newman. The latter was a North Carolinian, while the maternal grandfather was Ezma Handcock, who was born in Henderson county, Kentucky.

The father of our subject was a farmer by occupation, and moved to Graves county in 1887. In politics he was a Democrat, and a consistent member of the Christian church. His death occurred in 1894, aged sixty-one. His wife survives at the age of sixty-five years. She takes part in the services of the Christian church, of which she is a member. Four children were born to these parents: Ezma B., unmarried,

a partner in the farm, and was born June 9, 1864; Nannie B., born February 7, 1867; Grace T., who died in infancy; and Thomas K.

Thomas K. Newman was reared upon the farm and educated in Union county, Kentucky. He and his brother own and operate the home farm, which they have brought into a good state of cultivation, and they are regarded as being among the leading young farmers of their locality. In politics he is a Democrat, and, like his family, a member of the Christian church.

In Graves county he was married in 1893 to Miss Minnie Wilson, who was born in Mayfield, Kentucky, May 5, 1871. Two children have been born to them, namely: Mabel, born January 10, 1895; and Perry, born April 18, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Newman are very highly regarded in the county, as are all the members of the family, and their prosperity is well merited.

ULRICK BEYER.

Ulrick Beyer, a successful farmer and stock-raiser of McCracken county, Kentucky, was born in this county in the year 1872, and comes of German ancestry. His parents, Fred and Susan (Smith) Beyer, were natives of Germany, the former born in 1830, the latter in 1843. Fred Beyer left his native land in 1850 and embarked for America, thinking to find a broader opportunity for bettering his condition here than in the old home, and, on landing at New Orleans, came north to Kentucky and located at Paducah. Here he was engaged in farming the rest of his life. He arrived in this country with no capital whatever save his pluck and energy and determination to succeed, and at the time of his death, in 1894, his estate was valued at twenty thousand dollars. When he became a citizen of this country, Mr. Beyer chose the Republican

party, and cast his vote and influence with it the rest of his life. He was a member of the German Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Beyer, his wife, is still living in McCracken county, where she is well known and highly respected. The brothers and sisters of Ulrick Beyer are Fred, a well known farmer of McCracken county; Lizzie, wife of Henry Hiley, of Paducah, Kentucky; Maggie, John, Henry and William, all of McCracken county.

Ulrick Beyer received his schooling at Oak Grove, in his native county, and, following in his father's footsteps, took up farming as an occupation when he started out in life for himself, and in this he is meeting with that success which his earnest efforts merit. Mr. Beyer married, in 1901, Miss Lillian Hunt, daughter of John Hunt, a prominent farmer of McCracken county.

JAMES T. REDDICK, M. D.

Dr. James T. Reddick, of Paducah, was born in Sumner county, Tennessee, February 15, 1859. His father, Rev. James W. Reddick, was a native of Tennessee, and in early life was a farmer, but later a prominent and successful minister of the Primitive Baptist church. Dr. Reddick's paternal grandfather, John A. Reddick, was also a native of Tennessee, a farmer and resident of Sumner county and a member of the Primitive Baptist church. The maternal grandfather of our subject was John Parish, a Tennesseean and a farmer.

Dr. Reddick obtained a fair literary education. His youth was spent on the farm. At the age of nineteen he entered the medical department of the University of Tennessee, and was graduated from that institution when twenty-two years of age, receiving the honors of his class. Lo-

cating in Hopkins county, Kentucky, he practiced there till 1890, when he removed to Paducah, where he has gained a large practice and risen to high rank among physicians and surgeons of the city.

He is a member of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, the Kentucky State Medical Association and also the American Medical Association. He is also prominent in fraternal relations, being a member of the Masonic order, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a member of the Baptist church.

In 1881 he married Miss Willie Coleman, and the issue of the marriage are three children, namely, Beulah, Clifford and Willie.

WILLIAM CICERO EUBANKS, M. D.

William Cicero Eubanks, M. D., of Paducah, is a native Kentuckian. He was born in Pulaski county, January 30, 1868, a son of John W. and Lucinda (Floyd) Eubanks, natives of Virginia and Kentucky respectively. Dr. Eubanks is the youngest of a family of thirteen. At the age of twelve years he accompanied his parents and other members of the family to Lincoln county, Kentucky. The father being a farmer by occupation, his children were reared amid rural scenes. Having obtained a high school education, William took up the study of medicine in Danville, Kentucky, with Dr. E. B. Johns as his preceptor. After taking the complete course of study prescribed by the Pulte Homeopathic Medical College of Cincinnati, Ohio, where he graduated with the class of 1892, he practiced a short time in Stanford, Kentucky, but in the same year of his graduation he located in the city of Paducah. Here he soon gained the confidence of the people and

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has risen to a rank among the successful and skillful physicians of western Kentucky.

Dr. Eubanks is a close and constant student; he has a large medical library and a well equipped office. Besides meeting with more than ordinary success in the general practice of medicine, he has given much attention to electro-therapeutics, and has secured the latest improved appliances for giving electric treatment.

He holds membership in the Southern Kentucky Homeopathic Medical Society, in the Kentucky State Homeopathic Association and in the American Institute of Homeopathy. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Baptist church. In 1892 Dr. Eubanks married Miss Maud A. Wooley, of Rising Sun, Indiana, and they have one son, John Leslie.

M. K. SCOTT.

M. K. Scott, deceased, was for many years a prominent and eminently successful wholesale and retail hardware merchant of Paducah. He was born in the city of Louisville, August 17, 1832. He was a son of John and Martha (Broaddus) Scott. His father was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1794, and was reared and educated there, whence he removed to Louisville, Kentucky, when he was a young man. He learned the blacksmith's trade, and in Louisville did a flourishing business as a blacksmith. He was in business there for over fifty years. In 1865 he retired and left Louisville, and went to Paducah to live with his son, our subject. He died in the latter city in 1868. He was strictly a man of business, and cared nothing for politics, personally, but during the days of the Whig party he voted for the men and measures of that party.

He was a strong Union man during the period of the Civil war, but, being advanced in years and having served his country faithfully in his younger days as a soldier and Indian fighter and as a participant in the battle of Tippecanoe, in which he was wounded, Mr. Scott took no active part in the struggle between the states. He was of Irish lineage and was possessed of many excellent traits of character. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Martha Broaddus, was born in Culpeper county, Virginia, and was there educated. Coming to Louisville a young lady, she met and married John Scott. She came of an old and excellent Virginia family.

M. K. Scott, after attending the public schools of Louisville, learned the tinner's trade, at which he was employed at Louisville and New Orleans. In 1851 he took steamer from the latter city for Cuba, having tendered his services as a private soldier in the cause of Cuba against Spain. There were four hundred and fifty men in the party, and after ninety days they reached the island. His experience as a soldier in that cause of Cuba was one of hardships, narrow escapes and active fighting, and he would have met death at last but for the aid of the United States consul at Vigo, Spain, to which place they had been taken as prisoners of war. The United States consul secured release for him and others of his party and for them passage to the United States. Mr. Scott landed safely in New York, March 10, 1852, having left New Orleans August 1, 1851. He was thoroughly satisfied with his war experience, and determined to settle down to active civil duties of life. Returning to Louisville, he entered the employ of Bridgeford & Company, with whom he remained three years, at the close of which time he went to Paducah, where for seven years thereafter he was in the employ of Mr. E. R. Hart. In 1863 Mr. Scott embarked in the tinning and hardware business in

Paducah on his own account. He prospered, and as his business grew and his capital increased he finally began a wholesale business, and remained in the business till the time of his death, and the business has since been continued under the name of the Scott Hardware Company.

In July, 1857, Mr. Scott married Elizabeth Applegate. Their marriage was blessed by the birth of the following children: Frank, William, Elizabeth, Anna, Belle, Ruebie, Etta, Richard, and Irene. Harry and Walter are deceased.

As to politics, Mr. Scott was a Democrat, without political aspirations. He was a good business man, a worthy citizen, a faithful friend and a kind, loving and devoted husband and father.

J. N. RANDLE.

J. N. Randle, deceased, was for nearly a quarter of a century a prosperous and well known farmer of McCracken county, Kentucky, and was better known as "Curny" Randle. Mr. Randle was born in Ford county, Kentucky, in the year 1836; he went to Tennessee in early life, and in Montgomery county, that state, was united in marriage to Miss Mary Frances Johnson, a native of Montgomery county, the date of her birth also being 1836. In 1863 they removed to Kentucky and located on a farm in McCracken county, and here Mr. Randle was engaged in agricultural pursuits the rest of his life, giving special attention to the raising of corn and tobacco. He soon ranked with the leading farmers of western Kentucky, and his honorable and upright life won him the confidence and respect of all who knew him. He was a Democrat, and always took a commendable interest in public affairs, but was never

what is called a public man. He died in 1887, and was laid to rest on his home place, in what is called the Randle burying ground.

Mrs. Randle, his widow, survives him. Their removal to Kentucky was three years after their marriage, which event took place in 1860, and here they reared their children, all of whom are respected citizens of McCracken county, namely: Minnie, wife of James Walker, a farmer of McCracken county, Kentucky; and Clint and Howard, both successful farmers, following in the footsteps of their honored father. Politically they are Democrats.

ALFRED C. MOORE.

Man's success in the world is not determined by the heights which he chances to occupy but by the distance between his starting point and the altitude he has gained, and he is deserving of most credit and honor who owes to his own courage, ambition and diligent effort all that he possesses and enjoys. Of this class Mr. Moore is a representative, for his advanced education—beyond what the public schools offer to all American youths—was obtained through his own efforts, his tuition being paid with money which he himself earned.

Mr. Moore, now successfully practicing law in Marion, was born on a farm in Crittenden county, May 6, 1864, a son of James A. and Martha A. (Bourland) Moore, who were likewise natives of Crittenden county, where they still reside. In early manhood the father followed farming. In 1882-3 he represented his district in the state legislature of Kentucky, and later became county judge, and since his retirement from that office has engaged in the practice of law.

Upon the home farm Alfred C. Moore was reared, and in the

schools of Marion obtained his preliminary education, which was supplemented by study in the Madisonville Normal. He engaged in teaching school for about six terms, beginning when he was eighteen years of age, and following the profession until he was twenty-four. In the meantime he took up the study of law in the office and under the direction of L. H. James, of Marion, and after being admitted to the bar in 1888, formed a partnership with his former preceptor, which continued for seven years. Mr. Moore has since been alone in business, and has a large clientage, his legal business being of an important nature. He is well versed in the various departments of jurisprudence, and presents his cause before judge or jury in a forcible manner, his deductions being logical, his reasoning sound. He served as county attorney in 1897 and was supervisor of the census for his congressional district in 1900.

In 1888 Mr. Moore was united in marriage to Miss Sarah A. Stone, and their children are: Virgil Y., Alfred Orlin, James Homer and Neville. The parents hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Moore belongs to the Knights of Pythias fraternity. He is an advocate of the men and measures of the Republican party, and frequently does active work in its behalf by delivering campaign addresses and in other ways. Keeping well informed on the issues of the day, he is able to support his position by intelligent argument, and is known as one of the leading advocates of the party. He has a wide acquaintance in the county of his nativity, and the circle of his friends is extensive.

WILLIAM HENDERSON.

William Henderson, who is filling the position of circuit clerk of Ballard county and resides in Wickliffe, was born on a farm in this county, March 18, 1869, and is a son of John E. and Celestia (Jenkins)

Henderson. The father was also born in Ballard county, and his parents were Thomas Francis and Mary Jane (Dillon) Henderson, both of whom were born and reared in Virginia. Soon after their marriage they came to Kentucky, settling in Ballard county near Hinkleville, taking up their abode upon a farm, about 1830. Thus casting in their lot with the pioneer settlers, they underwent many of the hardships incident to the frontier, and they also bore an active and helpful part in the early work of improvement and development. They continued to reside in this county until called to their final rest, and here they reared their family of five sons and six daughters, all of whom were born in Ballard county.

After reaching years of maturity John E. Henderson wedded Miss Celestia Jenkins, who was also born in Ballard county, a daughter of Dr. T. J. Jenkins, while her mother was a Miss Terrell. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson began their domestic life upon a farm, and for several years he carried on agricultural pursuits. He then turned his attention to the grocery business in Cairo, Illinois, and also dealt extensively in tobacco. While residing there the mother died in 1879, being then thirty-seven years of age. The father afterward returned to Ballard county, where he spent his remaining days, dying here in 1893 at the age of fifty-six years. He voted with the Democracy, and at the time of the Civil war joined the southern army, aiding in defense of the Confederate cause. To him and his wife were born six sons, and two of the number are now living, the brother of our subject being John Henderson, who is now in the United States army, stationed at Key West, Florida.

Upon the home farm in the county of his nativity William Henderson spent the days of his childhood and youth, and in the common schools acquired his education. During much of his life he has been in official

service, and has always been found most prompt and faithful in the discharge of the duties which have devolved upon him. When about twenty-one years of age he was elected constable of the Hinkleville district, and served as constable for a year and a half. He then resigned and went west, but soon afterward returned and engaged in clerking in a dry-goods store at Wickliffe. He was also similarly employed in Hazelwood for a time, after which he turned his attention to farming, which he followed for two years. He then again engaged in merchandising, this time in Barlow City, and in 1900 he was elected circuit clerk for a short or half term, while in 1903 he was chosen to the position for a full term of six years, so that his incumbency will continue until January 1, 1910. He was elected on the Democratic ticket, having always been an advocate of the party and its principles.

In 1894 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Henderson and Miss Mollie T. Bishop, of Ballard county, and their home has been blessed with four children. Whatever success Mr. Henderson has achieved is due to his own strong purpose, untiring efforts, and in the county of his nativity, where he is widely known, he has gained the favor and friendship of a large circle of acquaintances.

FRANK M. FISHER.

Frank M. Fisher, who represents a family which has been among the most prominent in building up and promoting the industrial and business interests of Paducah, Kentucky, has passed all his life in this city and is now connected with some very important business and financial concerns of this part of the state.

He is the son of one of Paducah's pioneer citizens, J. G. Fisher,

who was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1816. He remained there and received his education until he was eighteen years old, when, in 1834, he came to America, and in Philadelphia completed his apprenticeship at the baker's trade. He came to Paducah in 1836, which city remained his home till his death, and where he will always be remembered for his connection with the public welfare and the upbuilding of the city, especially during the years of its growth to a city. He was a man of good judgment and enterprise, and in recognition of his worth was made a member of the first board of town trustees. He was later elected to the city council, and in 1863 was chosen mayor, which office he held for two consecutive terms, and in 1874 was again elected. He laid the foundation for many of the important improvements of the city, and most of the older portion of the city and the streets and sidewalks were constructed during his efficient administration. Following his last term as mayor he was elected city tax collector, and he discharged the duties of all these public offices in such a manner as to win the esteem of the citizens and reflect credit upon himself.

In 1842, Mr. Fisher was married to Miss Mary Greif, of McCracken county, and they had six children: George A., J. W., J. T., F. M., Mrs. W. F. Paxton and Miss Loulie. Mr. Fisher died November 17, 1890, and was buried in Oak Grove cemetery in the city of Paducah.

J. Will Fisher, the second son of Mayor Fisher, was born in Paducah, Kentucky, November 30, 1849. He was reared in Paducah, and graduated from Douglas University, in Chicago. He was at one time engaged in the wholesale grocery business in this city, and was afterward one of the leading brick manufacturers. Like his father he was prominent in public affairs, and took much interest in local politics. He affiliated with the Democratic party, and served several times in the city council

and school board, was county clerk for two terms, and circuit clerk for one term; was master commissioner of McCracken county for one term, and for one term was city council clerk.

Mr. Fisher was also prominent in the fraternal orders; was district deputy of the Kentucky order of Elks for one term, exalted ruler of Paducah Lodge No. 217 for one term; and was a Knight Templar Mason, an Odd Fellow and a Knight of Pythias. He was a very public-spirited man, and is regarded as one most prominent in the life of his native city.

He was married in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1875, to Miss Alice Hemmeller, of that place, and they had eight children: Harry L., Charles W., J. G., Joe B., Frank, Mrs. James T. Leake, Irene and Gertrude. Mr. Fisher died October 5, 1900, and is interred in Oak Grove cemetery.

Frank M. Fisher, the fourth son of J. G. and Mary F. Fisher, was born in Paducah, July 26, 1862, was educated in the public schools of the city and was graduated in 1877. Mr. Fisher has won pronounced success from a business standpoint, as well as in public life. In 1896 he established the Paducah Daily and Weekly *Sun*, which has the honor of being the only Republican newspaper that ever gained foothold in western Kentucky. He is now president of the Sun Publishing Company, of the Nortonville Coal Company, of the Kentucky Glass and Queensware Company, of the Brower-Fisher Company, and is interested in a number of other financial and commercial enterprises, besides being the owner of a large amount of real estate.

Mr. Fisher, who is a Republican in politics, thus departing from the traditions of the family, was appointed postmaster of Paducah on

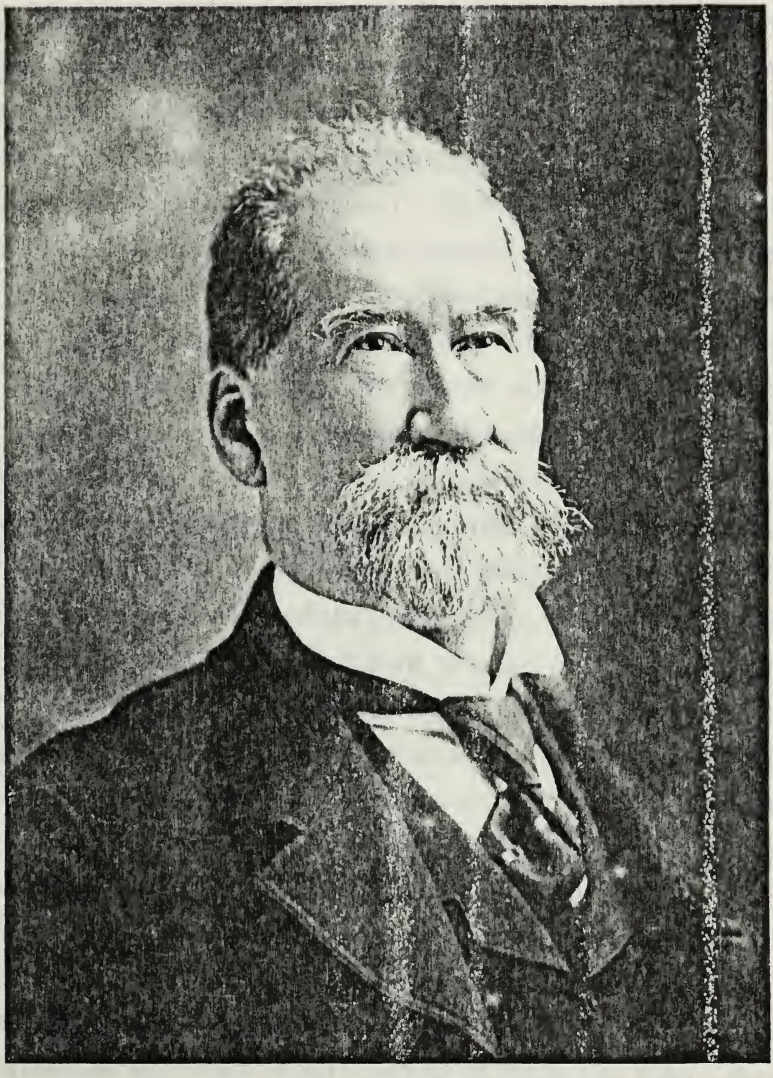
February 16, 1898, and is now serving his second term, having been reappointed May 15, 1902. December 8, 1887, Mr. Fisher married Mattie Venable, and has three sons, Harold P., Robert G. and William F.

ISAAC MOORE QUIGLEY.

Isaac Moore Quigley was born in Paducah, March 5, 1856, and for many years was a member of one of the leading law firms of the city, having been associated in the practice with his father, Q. Q. Quigley, under the firm name of Quigley & Quigley. His literary education was acquired in Racine College, of Racine, Wisconsin, after which he took up the study of law and was admitted to the bar. The practice of the firm was general and of a very important character. Not only in his profession did I. M. Quigley attain prominence, but in the halls of legislation he made for himself an honorable record. He served for two terms in the general assembly, and also occupied a place on the bench of the court of appeals, having been appointed to that position in 1894 to fill out the unexpired term caused by the death of Caswell Bennett, and was acting chief justice of the court for the term during which he occupied the bench. He died August 6, 1902.

WILLIAM DAVID GREER.

William David Greer, senior member of the well known law firm of Greer & Marble, of Paducah, Kentucky, was born on a farm, near Fredonia, Caldwell county, Kentucky, September 22, 1834, a son of William B. and Evalina (Caldwell) Greer. His paternal grandfather was Moses Greer who was born in Pennsylvania and was of Irish ex-



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traction. He married Charlotte Peck, also of the Keystone state, and they settled, at an early day, near Salem, in Livingston county, Kentucky, and there their children were born, as follows: Moses, Aquilla P., William B., Lucinda, Anna, Thomas J. and Milton.

William B. Greer was reared in Livingston county and there attended school. His occupations were diversified. He was a merchant and trader and also a scientific and successful farmer and stock-raiser. His life was mainly spent in his native locality, where he was favorably known, and he died in Texas at the age of seventy-six years. In political sentiment he was a Democrat. His religious faith was in the Presbyterian creed. His wife was born in Caldwell county, Kentucky, and was a daughter of David Caldwell, who belonged to the old and honored family of that name in Kentucky, which had been commemorated in the naming of the county. He was a successful and prominent farmer, and was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. The children born to William B. Greer and wife were the following: Dr. James A. Greer, of Milan, Kansas; William David; Jefferson G., a farmer of Livingston county, Kentucky; Robert, deceased; Callie, of Dexter, Missouri; Lou, of Mills county, Texas; and J. K., of Paducah. The mother of this family died at the age of seventy-two years. Her mother was Catherine (Davidson) Caldwell, a member of another old and prominent Kentucky family.

William David Greer was reared on a farm, and received his early education around the family hearth and in the little log cabin schoolhouse in the vicinity of his home. At the age of nineteen he had the advantage of six months' schooling at a college in Paducah, and this closed his literary education. In early manhood he decided to enter the law, and while still following agricultural pursuits spent all his

spare time in the study of its complex problems. He subsequently went to Smithland, Kentucky, and there read law under the tutelage of Judge Samuel A. Kingman, who later served for fourteen years as chief justice of the supreme court of the state of Kansas. With this able and distinguished attorney, Mr. Greer formed a partnership at Smithland, which was dissolved a year later by Judge Kingman's removing to Kansas. Mr. Greer then entered into partnership with the late Wiley P. Fowler, and at a later period practiced alone. In 1874 Mr. Greer removed to Paducah, and here formed a congenial partnership with Judge James Campbell, which lasted until the latter was elected circuit judge. Another partnership was formed with Judge W. S. Bishop, which continued two years, or until he was elected circuit judge, but after a brief period of practice alone Mr. Greer became associated for eight years with William M. Reed, now Democratic nominee for circuit judge. After practicing alone for a time, Mr. Greer formed a partnership with William Marble, and thus came into being the legal firm of Greer & Marble, which has become well known through all the courts. Mr. Greer has been a life-long Democrat, but he has never aspired to public office. He is devoted to his profession and has made a success in its pursuit.

In 1858 Mr. Greer married Miss Alice Linley, who was born in Livingston county and was a daughter of Dr. Thomas Linley, a prominent citizen. Mrs. Greer died, leaving two children, Iola and Aldie. Mr. Greer's second marriage was to Miss Elmonia A. Epperson, of Frankfort, Kentucky, and they became the parents of these children: Grace, wife of Edward L. Atkins, cashier of the American-German National Bank of Paducah; Monia Virgie, wife of Charles S. Mocquot,

a druggist at Paducah; and Miss Myrtle. The family is one of social prominence, and Mr. Greer is a representative member of the bar in this city.

WILLIS G. HUGHES.

Willis G. Hughes, a leading memebr of the Morganfield bar, was born in Washington county, Kentucky, in 1816, and died in Union county in 1863. His father, Edward Hughes, was a native of Ireland, and after his settlement in Kentucky married Letitia Reed, a native of Lincoln county. He was a farmer and followed that pursuit throughout life. Willis G. Hughes became an inmate of the home of his uncle, James R. Hughes, of Morganfield, where he was reared to manhood and acquired his literary education. A taste for study and a retentive memory caused him to be later recognized as one of the best informed men at the bar. His choice of a life-work fell upon the law, and he assiduously applied himself to the mastering of the text-books. After his admission to the bar he established an office in Morganfield, where he continuously made his home until his death. The characteristics of his life were great mental strength, clearness of thought, concise and pointed argument and incontrovertible logic. He was ever a close student, and his care in the preparation of his cases was a potent element in his success. As he gave evidence of superior ability, his practice became extensive in every branch of his profession, and he was retained as counsel for the defense or prosecution in almost every important litigation in the civil and criminal courts during his active connection with the bar. He was indefatigable in his labors to secure his clients' interests, and his eloquence is yet the theme of many a reminiscence of the Morganfield bar.

In the trial of Colonel Hall for the murder of Dr. Newell Taylor his address was a masterpiece of eloquence, logic and legal acumen, and fully equaled the efforts of the forceful and eminent advocates, Archibald Dixon and Lazarus Powell, who were counsel in the same case.

He represented Union county in the legislature, and was a candidate for the office of lieutenant governor. During the war he espoused the cause of the Union, and lent his aid and influence in the legislature to keep Kentucky true to the national government.

Mr. Hughes was twice married. In 1835 he wedded Miss Mary Ann Davis, daughter of Joshua and Permelia (Given) Davis, and after her death he wedded Miss Bettie Barbour, daughter of Moses and Sarah (Morrison) Barbour.

JOSEPH S. TROUTMAN, M. D.

Joseph S. Troutman, M. D., one of the leading representatives of the medical profession at Paducah, Kentucky, was born near Elizabethtown, Hardin county, Illinois, January 16, 1864, and is a son of Edward and Julia (Consert) Troutman.

Edward Troutman was born in Christian county, Kentucky, and is now a resident of Hardin county, Illinois, and one of the representative farmers of that locality, although in earlier years he was a merchant. The father of Edward is John, who married E. Dossett; he was a native of North Carolina, although the Troutman family originated in Germany and was founded in America at an early date. In early manhood Edward Troutman left Kentucky, and, removing to Illinois, there met and married his wife, who was born in that state, and died in 1895, having borne her husband seven children.

Dr. Troutman was reared upon the farm and educated in the common schools, but he evinced so strong an inclination toward the medical profession that he was permitted to commence its study under Dr. R. J. McGinnis, of Elizabethtown, Illinois, and later he entered the medical department of the University of Tennessee at Nashville, from which he was graduated in February, 1892, and immediately settled in Shetlerville, Illinois, and commenced practicing. In April, 1893, he came to Paducah, Kentucky, in which city he has since made his home, and built up a very flattering practice. He is a member of the Paducah Medical and Surgical Society, the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, Kentucky State Medical Society, American Medical Association; was city physician in 1896, a member of the board of health in 1897 and 1898, and was made its president in 1902, and he has also served as a member of the board of aldermen. In politics he is a stanch Republican.

In 1888 Dr. Troutman was married to Miss Lettie A. Grimsley, of Elizabethtown, Illinois, and two children have been born to them. Dr. Troutman is one of the progessive medical men of Paducah, one who is thoroughly abreast of the progress made in medical science, and who numbers many of the best people of Paducah among his patients.

J. J. GLENN.

It is seldom that one attains prominence in more than one line, but in J. J. Glenn we find a gentleman who has gained a leading position in both educational and journalistic circles. He is a writer of ability, has ever been an earnest worker, and in all the relations of life is an honorable, upright man, who has won the sincere respect of all with

whom he has come in contact. Mr. Glenn was born on a farm in Lyon county, Kentucky, on the 3d of March, 1842, a son of Samuel and Mary Glenn. The father, who was a farmer by occupation, was a son of Colonel Samuel Glenn, a noted teacher.

In the country schools of his neighborhood J. J. Glenn received his early educational training, and he is a graduate of the "hard school of experience," in which he stood at the head of his class. His boyhood days were passed as other country lads of the time, and for a short time he was employed as a clerk in a store. At the age of twenty years he began teaching in a county school, and fifteen years later came to Madisonville, Kentucky, where he resumed his work as a teacher, and in 1884 was elected superintendent of county schools. For ten years he was the faithful incumbent of that responsible position, on the expiration of which period he refused to allow his name to be used for re-election. On leaving the educational field, Mr. Glenn became connected with journalistic interests, and is now the owner, editor and proprietor of *Glenn's Graphic*, a weekly newspaper published at Madisonville. During a period of eighteen years he has been connected with newspaper work, and his success in the journalistic field is commensurate with that which he received as an educator, for in both he has attained an enviable reputation. In politics he is a Cleveland Democrat, but casts his vote for the men whom he regards as best qualified for public office. The only public position which he has ever held is that of superintendent of county schools. When twenty-one years of age he became a member of the Masonic fraternity. For twenty years he has been a member of the Knights of Honor, and for eighteen years has been a member of the Golden Cross, having served as a presiding officer in all these orders

and has been their representative to the grand lodges. He has also twice served as president of the Kentucky Educational Association.

On the 1st of February, 1865, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Glenn and Miss Sallie Prewitt, and one son was born of that union, Neel Glenn, whose birth occurred on the 15th of February, 1866. On the 28th of February, 1877, Mr. Glenn married Miss Thenie Fox, and the only child of that union was a daughter, who is now the wife of John T. Waller, and was born January 18, 1878. For his third wife Mr. Glenn chose Miss Annie Fletcher, and their wedding occurred July 15, 1896. Mr. Glenn's religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal church, south. He has so conducted all his affairs as to meet the esteem of all classes of citizens, and both as a man and citizen enjoys the added popularity which comes to those genial spirits who have a hearty shake of the hand for all those with whom they come in contact from day to day, and who seem to throw around them so much of the sunshine of life.

G. W. LACKEY, M. D.

The medical profession of Christian county, Kentucky, has its full quota of up-to-date physicians, and prominent among them is Dr. G. W. Lackey, of Pembroke. Dr. Lackey was born in Christian county, Kentucky, October 16, 1841; is descended from Scotch-Irish ancestors on both the paternal and maternal sides, and points to Virginia as the home of several generations of his forefathers. William Lackey, his father, was born and reared on a Virginia farm; came to Kentucky about the year 1830, and settled in Christian county, where he farmed until 1852, that year removing to Marshall county, this state, where he continued

in the same occupation. His next and last move was to Livingston county, Kentucky, and here he turned his attention to milling and merchandising. At the time of his death he was about sixty-eight years of age. He was a local preacher and an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal church, and was a prominent Mason, having received the degrees up to and including the thirty-second. It is said that he was one of the first three Knights Templar in Kentucky, the other two being the well known Mark Tyler and Robert Morris. William Lackey assisted in the organization of the first encampment in the state, at Mills Point. His early political views harmonized with those of the Whigs. When the Civil war came on he sympathized with the south, but he was at that time well advanced in years and took no active part in the war. He was well known in the western part of Kentucky. John Lackey, his father, was born in Virginia, and died at Clarksville, Tennessee, at about the age of seventy-five years. Dr. Lackey's mother was Nancy H. (Stewart) Lackey, daughter of Thomas and Tirzah (Morrison) Stewart; she was born and reared in Virginia, and died in Kentucky at the age of about seventy years. William and Nancy H. Lackey were the parents of twelve children, five sons and seven daughters, all of whom reached adult age, and four of the number are still living, viz.: Dr. Thomas S., of Nortonville, Kentucky; Sarah E., wife of John W. Stahl, of Marshall county, Kentucky; Hannah B., wife of Rev. E. G. Thompson, of Smithland, Kentucky; and G. W.

Dr. G. W. Lackey was the eleventh born in this family. His early education was received in the common schools. Later he attended Smithland College and a private school taught by Professor C. W. Case, after which he went to Louisville, where he pursued his medical studies in the Louisville Medical College, of which he is a

graduate. He also had the advantage of hospital work in Louisville. In 1876 Dr. Lackey located in Mount Vernon, Kentucky, where he opened an office and commenced the practice of his profession. For twenty years he practiced there. Then in 1896 he moved to Pembroke. Here he has an excellent practice, and in addition to attending to his professional duties he finds time to superintend his farming operations, as he owns a fine farm here.

Dr. Lackey has been twice married. In 1870 he wedded Miss Annie Hollins, daughter of John E. Hollins; she was born near Russellville, Kentucky. She died in 1882, leaving an only child, W. A. Lackey, who is now a prominent young physician in Christian county. In 1884 Dr. Lackey married Tenora Elgin, a daughter of George and Lucy Elgin and a native of Christian county. The children of this union are three: Ruby E., George E. and Camille A.

Dr. Lackey is a member of the Christian County Medical Society and the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society. Politically he is a Democrat. The son of a Methodist preacher, he clings to the faith in which he was reared, and has himself long been an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal church, having served as steward.

JONATHAN ELBERT GRANT.

Jonathan Elbert Grant, one of the leading business men and agriculturists of Graves county, Kentucky, is a native son of the county, his birth occurring on the 2d of August, 1856, and in the paternal line is of English ancestry. Joseph P. W. Grant, the father of Jonathan E., was born in Trigg county, Kentucky, May 23, 1830, and was but thirteen months old when brought to this county by his parents, David and Annie (Ward) Grant, natives, respectively, of Trigg county, this

state, and Virginia, but both lie buried in Graves county. In the family of Mr. and Mrs. David Grant were eight children, namely: Polly, William, Susan, deceased; one who died in infancy; James Henry, deceased; Joseph P. W., the father of our subject; John, deceased, and Charles, who resides in Houston, Texas. Joseph P. W. Grant has made farming his life occupation, and he still makes his home in Graves county, having reached the age of seventy-three years. In 1855 he was united in marriage to Alcy Adaline Miller, a native daughter of this county. Her father, John Miller, was a native of Kentucky, and was also of English descent. Two children blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Grant, but the daughter, Alcy Ann, is now deceased. The mother has also passed to the home beyond, dying in 1872, and she was a most excellent Christian woman. Mr. Grant gives his political support to the Democracy.

Jonathan Elbert Grant has spent his entire life in Graves county, and his first occupation was as an agriculturist. He has continued along that line to the present time, and now owns a fine farm of one hundred and fifteen acres, all of which is well improved, and excellent buildings add to its beauty and value. In his religious affiliations Mr. Grant is a member of the Missionary Baptist church, and his political support is given to the Democratic party.

In the year 1875 Mr. Grant was united in marriage to Miss Emma Mason, who also claims Graves county as the place of her nativity, and in its public schools she received her education. Seven children have blessed this union, namely: Jodie C., Cornelia, Walter, David, Aubra, Ruth and Annie L., the last named now deceased. Both Mr. and Mrs. Grant are well and favorably known throughout the county, and they have a wide circle of warm friends, by whom they are appreciated.

BENEDICT JOSEPH PIERCEALL.

Benedict Joseph Pierceall, one of the successful farmers of Graves county, Kentucky, was born in Washington county, the same state, February 11, 1823, and is a son of John B. and Matilda (Wimsett) Pierceall, both natives of Washington county. The paternal grandfather, Benedict Pierceall, became very well known, but nothing is known of the maternal grandfather.

John B. Pierceall was a farmer and blacksmith, and moved to Graves county in 1836. In politics he was a Whig, and religiously was a Catholic. Fraternally his affiliations were with the Master Masons. About 1854 he removed to Wolf Island, ten miles below Columbus, Kentucky, on the Mississippi, and there died in 1858. His wife died about 1829. Seven children were born to them, as follows: Matilda E., deceased; Mary A., deceased; Benedict; Charles, deceased; Anna S., deceased; Clem, of Illinois; and Susan Nancy, deceased.

Benedict J. Pierceall moved to Graves county, Kentucky, when a boy, and obtained his education in the subscription schools, as there were no public schools in those early days. In politics he was a Whig, is now a Populist, and in religion a Catholic. His first business undertaking was begun at the age of twenty-two years, when he commenced an apprenticeship with a brickmason. He has continued a farmer and bricklayer all his life, and has been quite successful.

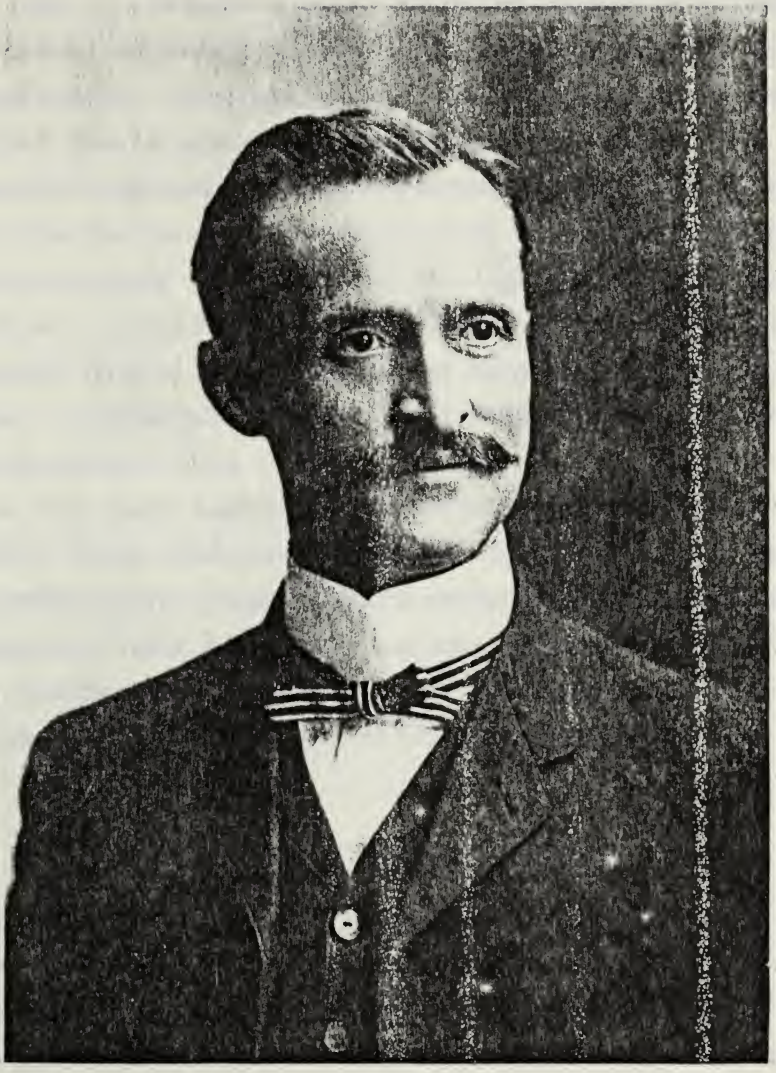
On April 8, 1845, he was united in marriage with Mary E. Austin, in McCracken county, Kentucky. She was born in Washington county, this state, on January 21, 1826, and died August 31, 1890. Nine children have been born to them, namely: Teresa Ann, deceased; John J.; Benedict J.; Margaret M., deceased; William C.; Izbelle C.;

Martin A.; Rosa F., deceased; and Mary E. Mr. Pierceall has been a hard working man all of his life and has overcome many difficulties. He stands high in the community as a man of integrity and honesty of purpose, and has many friends, not only here, but throughout the county.

HON. RICHARD THOMAS LIGHTFOOT.

Hon. R. T. Lightfoot, one of the prominent citizens of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in Hebbardsville, Henderson county, Kentucky, January 16, 1865, a son of Dr. Richard P. and Margaret (Newman) Lightfoot, both natives of Breckinridge county, Kentucky. The paternal grandparents, Philander and Elizabeth Lightfoot, were natives of Virginia and early settlers in Breckinridge county. Philander Lightfoot was one of the early sheriffs of that county, and became very prominent in local history. Dr. Richard P. Lightfoot and his wife were married in Breckinridge county, he having graduated in medicine at Louisville, and immediately after their marriage they settled in Henderson county, Kentucky, and there he practiced his profession until 1875, when he removed his family to Carbondale, Illinois, and continued to reside and engage in the practice of medicine the remainder of his life, dying in 1889.

Richard T. Lightfoot is the youngest of five children, and was reared after the age of eleven years in Carbondale, Illinois, and was there educated. He began his law studies under the direction of United States Judge William J. Allen, and at the youthful age of twenty-one years was admitted to the bar of Illinois. Immediately succeeding this, he began the practice of law at Murphysboro, Illinois, and when but twenty-two years of age was elected states attorney on the Demo-



R. T. Lightfoot

cratic ticket in a Republican county which had returned only Republican nominees for twenty-five years. Mr. Lightfoot served as county attorney for four years, and in 1894 came to Paducah professionally to defend Abe Livingston, who was charged with murder. He was successful in acquitting his client, and became so pleased with the community that he was induced to locate in the city, where he has since continued to reside. For four years Mr. Lightfoot was legal adviser for the city council, and in the fall of 1901 was elected county judge. Fraternally he is a Master Mason and member of the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

In 1891 Judge Lightfoot was married to Elizabeth Hartman, of Centralia, Illinois, and two children have been born to their union. An excellent lawyer, an able jurist, a successful politician and a keen business man, Judge Lightfoot is one who commands respect and inspires confidence, and the success which has attended him, while remarkable, is but the just outcome of the many virtues he possesses.

WILLIAM CARROLL DUNN.

William Carroll Dunn, one of the oldest and best known agriculturists of Graves county, has spent all his long and useful career in Kentucky. For some years he followed the occupation of blacksmith, which pursuit he inherited from his father, but the remainder of his life has been spent in farming. He is now seventy-five years of age, vigorous and hearty for his years, and life's burdens have been carried by him manfully and conscientiously during a wonderful epoch of the world's history. He began life in the days of subscription schools,

when railroads and telegraph were in their infancy, and all civilization was crude and old-fashioned, and has lived over the last three-quarters of the nineteenth into the twentieth century, where he may still enjoy the comforts and blessings of old age.

Mr. Dunn is the son of J. L. and Sarah (Stoneham) Dunn, the latter a daughter of Fortune Stoneham, and the former a son of Benjamin and Polly (Clay) Dunn, Benjamin being of German ancestry and a native of South Carolina, and having participated in the war of 1812 under General Jackson. J. L. Dunn was born in Stewart county, Tennessee, was a blacksmith by trade, and was a resident of Trigg county, Kentucky, most of his life. He was a Whig and a Democrat in political affairs, and was a member of the Missionary Baptist church. He died in Trigg county at the age of seventy-four years, but his wife survived him and was eighty-two at the time of her death. A large family of children were born of this worthy couple, as follows: Elizabeth, deceased; William C.; Hester; Rebecca, deceased; Wesley, deceased; Martha, deceased; James T., deceased; Leander, deceased; John M., Joseph C.; George W., deceased; Benjamin F., deceased; Francis, deceased; and Callumbus.

William C. Dunn was born in Trigg county, Kentucky, November 3, 1828, and was reared and educated in that county. He learned the art of blacksmithing under his father's careful eye, and that trade was his first independent business undertaking. When he was thirty years old he began farming, and over forty years' connection with this calling has placed him among the most proficient as well as the most successful farmers of Graves county. He now resides on a farm of seventy acres, which he keeps well improved and cultivates with profit.

Mr. Dunn affiliates with the Democratic party, taking considerable

interest in politics, although he is no office-seeker. He has been a member of the Baptist church for the past forty-five years. In 1855 Mr. Dunn was married in Trigg county to Miss Lucinda Newton, who was born in Sumner county, Tennessee, May 8, 1831. The following children have been born of this marriage: Nannie C., deceased; Mary C.; John W.; Annie, deceased; William T.; Nora C.; Fannie, deceased; Joseph F., deceased. Nellie C. and Joseph J. are the names of two grandchildren who live with Mr. and Mrs. Dunn. These are highly esteemed people in their community, and have many warm friends in church and social life.

FRANKLIN WYATT DARBY.

Franklin Wyatt Darby, of Princeton, was born in Caldwell, now Lyon, county, Kentucky, in October, 1837, and died in Princeton, this state, on the 31st of December, 1894. He was for many years a leading lawyer of Kentucky, and his support of church, educational and other interests calculated to benefit the commonwealth made him a valued citizen. He was a representative of one of the old families of the south, and was descended from Irish ancestry, who came to America about 1670, and located in Pennsylvania. One branch of this family removed to North Carolina, and the father of the subject of this review, George F. Darby, was born in Caswell county, of the latter state, in 1804. By occupation he was a farmer.

Representatives of this family have been prominent in state and national legislation and have adorned the legal profession with their superior talent for law. Patrick H. Darby, an uncle of Franklin Wyatt Darby, was a most capable lawyer and editor of Kentucky in an earlier

day, and for some years maintained his residence in Frankfort. He became an important factor in the differences which arose concerning the "old and new court contest," and was accused of instigating the murder of Solomon P. Sharp, the speaker of the house of representatives and a prominent "new court advocate." Mr. Darby wrote numerous articles in defense of his party and of himself. The murder of Mr. Sharp is one of the historic fatalities of the state, and the charge of implication in the matter made against Mr. Darby and his contest over it embittered the last years of his life. He was one of the ablest writers and speakers that the state has known, and would defend the principles in which he believed at whatever cost to himself. He was especially celebrated as a land lawyer. Another member of his family, John F. Darby, was a leading lawyer and banker of St. Louis, served his city as mayor and represented his district in congress. The mother of F. W. Darby was in her maidenhood Mary Wyatt, a daughter of Zadock Wyatt, one of the first settlers of Caldwell county, Kentucky, and the owner of one of the largest and finest estates in that section of the country.

Franklin Wyatt Darby was educated in Cumberland College, of Princeton, Kentucky, and studied law under the tutorage of E. P. Campbell, of that place. In 1862 he was admitted to the bar, and at once entered upon practice. In 1866 he was elected county judge, serving one term, and in 1870, when the Elizabethtown & Paducah Railroad was built, he was appointed one of the sinking fund commissioners for Caldwell county, discharging the duties of the position up to the time of his death. In 1882 he was appointed treasurer of the board, and his wise and careful management of the county debt and its funding saved to the county a vast amount of money and litigation. Mr.

Darby also served for two terms in the state senate, was a member of the city council of Princeton and served as treasurer there for twenty years. He was urged by his friends to become a candidate for the office left vacant by the death of Judge Bennett, but such was his warm friendship for Judge Grace, whom he had known for many years, and who desired the office, that he would not become a candidate for the nomination. With him friendship was inviolable, and the faithful fulfillment of a trust a most sacred duty. In connection with his law practice he was interested in banking and was the vice-president of the First National Bank of Princeton.

Mr. Darby belonged to the Masonic fraternity, and in politics was a Democrat. He served as chairman of the Democratic county committee for a number of years, and took an active interest in the work of his party and in promoting good government. He was deeply interested in educational work, having a full conception of its place in all that elevates mankind, and accordingly he contributed liberally to school and church work. He won the respect and confidence of all with whom he came in contact, and well deserves enrollment among the honored lawyers of the state.

JOHN S. PETRIE, M. D.

When, after years of long and earnest labor in some honorable field of business, a man puts aside all cares to spend his remaining days in the enjoyment of the fruits of his former toil, it is certainly a well deserved reward for his industry.

> "How blest is he who crowns in shades like these
> A youth of labor with an age of ease,"

wrote the poet, and the world everywhere recognizes the justice of a season of rest following an active period of business life. Dr. Petrie is now living retired at his pleasant home in Bardwell, after long years of active connection with the medical profession, in which he has not only won success, but has also rendered valuable aid to his fellow-men.

Dr. Petrie is a native of Todd county, Kentucky, his natal day being January 30, 1833. The family is of Scotch descent and was founded in America by Peter Petrie, the grandfather of our subject, who in his youth came alone to the new world, crossing the Atlantic and eventually making his way to South Carolina. There he met and married a Miss Hardwick. By occupation Peter Petrie was a farmer, following that pursuit in order to provide for his family. At the time of the Revolutionary war he espoused the cause of the colonists, and valiantly aided in the struggle for independence. In pioneer times in the history of Kentucky he came to this state and settled in Todd county, where he spent his remaining days, bearing his part in the work of reclaiming the district for the purposes of civilization.

Hazel Petrie, the father of Dr. Petrie, was born in South Carolina, and accompanied his parents on their removal to Todd county, Kentucky, where he was united in marriage to Sarah Mobley, by whom he had twelve children. After her death he wedded Paulina Kennedy, and they became the parents of four children. All the children by each marriage grew to years of maturity. Hazel Petrie started in life a poor man, but he possessed resolution, keen business sagacity and unfaltering industry, and upon that sure foundation built the superstructure of his success. As the years passed he accumulated a good estate, and was accounted one of the substantial residents of the community in which he made his home. In public affairs he was likewise prominent, and

represented his district in the general assembly of Kentucky for several terms. He left the impress of his individuality upon the legislation enacted during his connection with the house, and his course was ever marked by unswerving patriotism and fidelity to the best interests of his constituents. He also served as magistrate under the old constitution of Kentucky. Well fitted for leadership, he aided in molding public thought and action, and long maintained a leading place among the honored men of his community. In religious faith he was a Methodist.

He also labored effectively for the moral development of his portion of the state, and in his home Peter Cartwright, the celebrated divine, preached many times. Mr. Petrie died in Todd county, Kentucky, at the age of eighty-three years, his birth having occurred on the 8th of July, 1785. His wife, who was born in Kentucky, was a daughter of Mike Kennedy, a native of Ireland. In pioneer times her father came to this state and spent his last days within its borders. Mrs. Petrie passed away in Todd county at the age of sixty-three years.

Dr. Petrie was reared in Todd county and was educated in Elkton Male Academy. When twenty-three years of age he began the study of medicine, with the determination to make its practice his life-work, and was graduated in the St. Louis Medical College on the 2d of March, 1858. He then located in Columbus, this state, where he practiced with success for four years. In 1861 he removed to a farm in Ballard county, about five miles from Blandville, and there he lived for about sixteen years, devoting his attention to agricultural pursuits and to the practice of medicine. On the expiration of that period he removed to Hinkleville, Kentucky, where he resided for six years,

and his next home was in Cairo, Illinois, where he spent six years. Returning then to Kentucky, he settled in Clinton, where he lived for twelve years, and in 1896 came to Bardwell.

While residing in Columbus, Kentucky, Dr. Petrie was united in marriage, in 1861, to Miss Lucy Ann Henderson, who was born in Ballard county, Kentucky, May 22, 1841, a daughter of Thomas Henderson, one of the pioneer settlers of Ballard county, to which place he removed from Virginia. To the Doctor and his wife have been born five children: Mattie Pauline, now the wife of Dr. William L. Mosby, of Bardwell; James Marvin, who died at the age of four years; Lucy Leonora, who is the wife of Walter Hutcherson, a merchant of Clinton, Kentucky; Laura Belle, who died at the age of twenty-two years, and Frank Summerfield, a popular druggist of Bardwell, and who married Miss Olive Gardner, a daughter of Thomas T. Gardner, who is mentioned elsewhere in this work.

On coming to Bardwell, Dr. Petrie and his son, Frank, established a drug store under the firm style of J. S. Petrie & Son, and have since continued in the business. Through many years the Doctor continued in the active practice of his profession, and did much to alleviate human suffering in the various localities in which he lived. In early life he gave his political support to the Democracy, but for twenty-five years has been an ardent Prohibitionist, believing the temperance question one of the prominent issues before the people. He is a dimitted Mason, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, to which their children also belong. He has lived an exemplary life, and has done much good in the world, not only through the practice of his profession, but by his influence and example. In private life he has always been sympathetic and generous, extending a helping hand

to the poor and needy, and always ready to aid those less fortunate than himself. His career has ever been honorable, actuated by unselfish motives, prompted by patriotism and guided by truth and justice. He is one of the most highly respected citizens of southwestern Kentucky, and will long be remembered by the people because of his devotion to the welfare of the state, and by reason of his fidelity to his profession.

HUGH THOMAS CROUCH, M. D.

From no professional man do we expect or exact so many of the cardinal virtues as from the physician. If the clergyman is austere, we imagine that his mind is absorbed with the contemplation of things beyond our ken; if our lawyer is brusque and crabbed, it is the mark of genius; but in the physician we expect not only a superior mentality and comprehensive knowledge, but also sympathy as wide as the universe. Dr. Crouch, in large measure, meets all of these requirements, and is regarded by many as an ideal physician. Certainly if patronage is any criterion of ability he ranks high among physicians and surgeons of Carlisle county, where he is now enjoying a large and lucrative practice.

Hugh Thomas Crouch was born on his father's farm in Ballard county, Kentucky, September 10, 1856, and is a son of Richard J. and Martha (Massie) Crouch. His father was a native of Christian county, Kentucky, and was a member of one of the old and distinguished families of this state. The mother's birth occurred in either Logan or Todd county, Kentucky. After their marriage the parents settled in Ballard county, where the father died when the Doctor was about thir-

teen years of age. The mother long survived him, spending her life in Ballard county, where she died in 1900 at the age of seventy-three years. She reared the following children, namely: Martha, Ellen, Hugh Thomas, Richard B., Mary E., Susan F. and William H., all of whom are still living, and with the exception of the last named all are married.

Dr. Crouch was reared upon the home farm and educated in the schools nearby. After acquiring a fair literary education he took up the study of medicine with Dr. D. P. Juett, of Blandville, Kentucky, as his preceptor. Later he entered the Missouri Medical College at St. Louis, and on the completion of the prescribed course in that institution was graduated in March, 1882. He then located in Cunningham, Kentucky, where he practiced until the fall of 1902, when he located in Bardwell. For a number of years he has been a member of the Carlisle County Medical Society, also of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society and the Kentucky State Medical Association. He likewise belongs to the American Medical Association, and thus keeps in touch with the advanced thought and progress of the profession, learning from his fellow practitioners of the best methods which they follow.

In 1884 Dr. Crouch was united in marriage to Miss Mollie U. Willingham, a daughter of G. W. Willingham, of Carlisle county, and they have four children: Rollie Burnett, Martha Esther, Bodine and Osler. The Doctor holds membership relations with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Christian church. He is a man of sterling traits of character, of upright life and manly principles, and wherever he goes he wins the respect and confidence of those with

whom he is associated. He has been very successful in his practice, and by reason of his capability well merits the large patronage which is accorded him.

THOMAS T. GARDNER.

The people of Carlisle county are to be congratulated upon a character of such elevation and strength of purpose, and such devotion to the highest and best interests of the state, as has been exhibited in the private and public life of Thomas Turk Gardner. No one was ever more respected in the county, and no one more fully enjoyed the confidence of the people or better deserved such respect and confidence. Mr. Gardner has served as county judge, and has three times represented his district in the legislature. His business interests have connected him with agricultural pursuits, and he is one of the leading and substantial farmers of this section of the state.

Thomas Turk Gardner was born in Henry county, Kentucky, on the 24th of August, 1845. His father, Elias Gardner, was born in Greenbrier county, West Virginia, but reared in Clark county, Kentucky, where the paternal grandfather of our subject, John Gardner, was born and reared in what is now West Virginia. After arriving at years of maturity the grandfather was married there to Nancy Nolan, a native of Virginia, and at an early day they removed to Clark county, Kentucky, where they reared their family. Elias Gardner spent his life in Clark county, and as a companion and helpmate for the journey of life chose Miss Susan Stamper, with whom he removed to Henry county, this state. By his first wife he had four children, but only one is now living, Jonathan, a resident of Henry county, Kentucky. For his second wife Mr. Gardner chose Mrs. Mary Stubbins, *nee* Mont-

gomery, and they became the parents of two children, but both are now deceased. For his third wife Elias Gardner wedded Mrs. Eliza Thomas, *nee* Turk, a daughter of Robert Turk, of Henry county, Kentucky, formerly of Virginia, whence he removed to Kentucky when the mother of our subject was a little child. By her first husband she had five children, of whom only two are living. By her marriage to Mr. Gardner she became the mother of a son and daughter: Thomas T., and Cattie, who became the wife of Lewis Ellis, of Henry county, Kentucky, and died a few years later. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner continued to make their home in Henry county until they were called to their final rest, and their remains were interred in a cemetery there. The father was a farmer by occupation, following that pursuit in order to provide for his family. In early life he was a Whig, and on the dissolution of the party joined the ranks of Democracy. His death occurred in 1862, when he was sixty-four years of age, and his wife passed away about 1884, at the advanced age of seventy-six years. Both were members of the Methodist church.

Judge Gardner was reared in Henry county, Kentucky, and was given a common school education. At the age of seventeen, upon the death of his father, he began farming for himself, and in 1869 came to what is now Carlisle county, where he has since resided, devoting his energies to agricultural pursuits. He has long been recognized as one of the leading and prosperous farmers of this portion of the state, and has controlled important farming interests.

In 1870 Judge Gardner was married to Mrs. Maggie Coaths, *nee* Jennings, a daughter of Howard and Nancy Jennings, of Carlisle county. They formerly resided in Owen county, Kentucky. Mrs. Gardner died in October, 1897, leaving eight children: Cattie, who is the wife of

John W. Ray, an attorney of Frankfort, Kentucky; Howard J., a dentist of Bardwell; Dora, who is the wife of Hugh Mabry, a merchant of Bardwell; Olive, the wife of Frank Petrie, a druggist of Bardwell; Julia Blackburn, the wife of Walter B. Heaslet, a merchant of Spring Hill, Kentucky; Elias, Bonnie and Vera, all at home. In 1901 Mr. Gardner was again married, his second union being with Mrs. Alice Boulware, *nee* Turk, a daughter of Noah and Lucy (Ford) Turk, of Carlisle county.

After Mr. Gardner's first marriage he settled upon an unimproved tract of land about one mile northeast of Bardwell, and here began the development of a farm which has since been his home, and has made it a splendid property. As his financial resources have increased he has extended its boundaries until his landed possessions now comprise one hundred and seventy-six acres of very choice and valuable land. In all his farm work he has been extremely progressive, and upon his place are now seen modern improvements and all kinds of farm machinery that facilitate agricultural work.

Mr. Gardner is a stalwart Democrat, and has been one of the most active workers in the party in this locality. He has three times been elected a member of the state legislature. In 1879 he was called to that office, representing what was then Ballard county. In 1885 he was nominated as the division candidate upon a platform desiring the formation of Carlisle county by cutting off a portion of Ballard county. On this ticket he was elected, and was successful in securing legislation which divided the original county into the present counties of Ballard and Carlisle. This occurred during the session of 1885-'86, and Carlisle county became a separate civic body in May of the latter year. In

1889 Mr. Gardner was again elected to the house of representatives, and he left the impress of his individuality upon the legislation enacted during the various sessions in which he has been connected with the general assembly. He has given careful consideration to each question which has come up for settlement, and has had the good of the commonwealth at heart, placing the welfare of the state before partisanship or personal aggrandizement. Since his return from the legislature he has served as master commissioner for Carlisle county, and in 1897 he was elected county judge, serving for four years. In that office, as in the others, he has ever proved a most capable official. In 1870 there occurred in this part of the state a movement among the farmers to elect a farmer to the state senate, and Mr. Gardner became their choice, but he declined the nomination, as he was not then thirty years of age, the constitutional age limit for a senator. That was really the beginning of his connection with politics, and since that time he has given a strong support to the party, and labored untiringly for its welfare and for the best interests of the state. When the Farmers' Alliance existed he was president of the organization for two years in the early nineties, and he has ever been active and helpful in promoting the interests of the agricultural community. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, and has several times been master of the blue lodge. He became a Mason soon after he had attained his majority, and has been an exemplary representative of the craft. He is also a member of the Christian church, and his life has been a most upright, active and useful one. Fearless in conduct, and stainless in reputation, his has been a most honorable career, and no history of Carlisle county would be complete without mention of Judge Gardner.

HOWARD J. GARDNER, D. D. S.

One of the leading representatives of professional circles in Bardwell is Dr. Howard Jennings Gardner, who is engaged in the practice of dentistry. He was born upon his father's farm in Carlisle county on the 12th of September, 1873, and is a son of Hon. Thomas T. Gardner, whose sketch appears above. Upon the home farm he was reared, and his literary education was obtained in the schools of Bardwell. He assisted in the labors of field and meadow through the period of his youth, and remained upon the farm until twenty-three years of age, when, determining to devote his life to the practice of dentistry, he entered the Louisville College of Dentistry, at Louisville, Kentucky. Therein he pursued a thorough and comprehensive course, and was graduated in the class of 1898. Returning to Bardwell, he then entered upon the practice of his profession in this town, and has gained a large patronage. He is a graduate of one of the best dental colleges of the country, and is thus well qualified for his chosen work. He also belongs to the Kentucky State Dental Society, and thus keeps in touch with the advancement that is continually being made by the profession. In politics he is a Democrat, and is a Knight Templar Mason, holding membership with the commandery at Paducah, Kentucky.

EDWIN FARLEY.

Edwin Farley, of Paducah, was born in Walworth county, Wisconsin, August 28, 1842, a son of Michael and Mary (Dolan) Farley. His father was born in County Meath, Ireland, in 1809; was well educated and interested with his father in the manufacture of linens

before he came to America in 1830. For the first six years after coming to this country he remained in New York, but in 1836 removed to Wisconsin, then still a territory, and there became a pioneer, and as a farmer became wealthy. In New York he married Mary Dolan, who was born in County Cavan, Ireland, in 1815. Both she and he were members of the Catholic church, and were strong abolitionists.

Edwin Farley was educated principally in the Elkhorn Academy, and when yet a youth enlisted, in August, 1861, in the Eighth Wisconsin Infantry, which became famous as the "Live Eagle Regiment," and was in the thickest of the fight in many of the vigorous campaigns in Mississippi, including the battles of Farmington, Corinth, Jackson (in two engagements), Vicksburg, Champion Hill, Yazoo City, Woodville and Franklin (Mississippi); he was severely wounded at Iuka, Mississippi, in 1862, and was taken to Vicksburg, where he was paroled, returning to his regiment, January 1, 1863. He also took part in the charge upon Vicksburg, May 22, 1863, and was there during the siege. In October, 1863, he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Third Regiment, United States Cavalry, and was in this service till mustered out, January 26, 1866.

For two years after the close of his military services Mr. Farley was engaged as a cotton planter in Coahoma county, Mississippi, and in February, 1868, he went to Paducah, Kentucky, where for a short time he merchandized, but later engaged in the manufacture of staves for flour barrels. In 1871 he was appointed deputy collector and gauger of the second collection district of Kentucky, in which capacity he served the revenue department for five years. He resigned this position to engage in the wholesale grocery business in Paducah. Four years later President Arthur appointed him collector of internal reve-

nue for the second collection district of Kentucky, with headquarters at Owensboro. He held this responsible position until Cleveland became president the first time.

In 1890 Mr. Farley was appointed postmaster of Paducah by President Harrison, without having made application for the office. He served as postmaster till June, 1894. He is known by the title of captain.

In 1884 Captain Farley was the Republican candidate for the legislature from his district in opposition to Meyer Weil, and should have been declared elected, for he had a majority of six votes on the first count, but a lost (?) sheet was found the next day which gave his Democratic competitor a majority of twenty eight votes and the honors and emoluments of the office. In 1888 he was the Republican candidate for Congress in the first district, and reduced the majority of the opposing party, in the "Democratic Gibraltar" of the state, 5,566 votes, the city of Paducah going Republican for the first time since the war. He was a candidate for the constitutional convention in 1890, but was defeated.

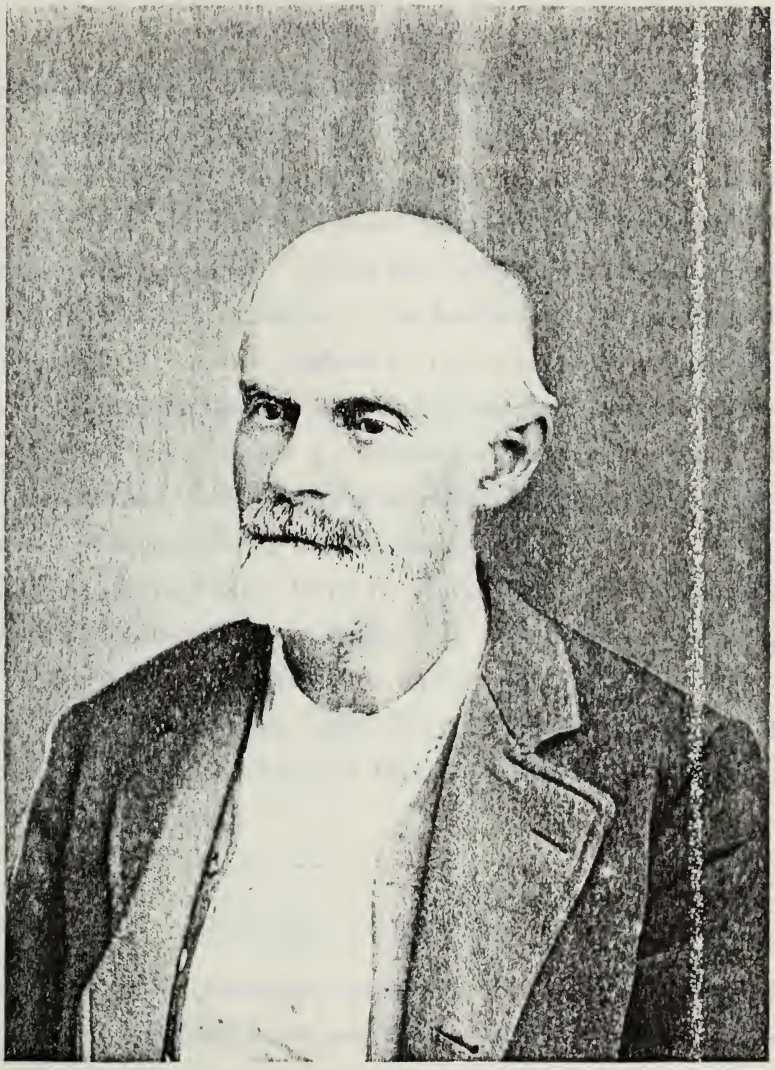
Captain Farley has long been active in politics, both local and national, and has been a trusted leader in his party. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a Knight Templar Mason.

In 1871 he married Ella M. Nunn, born in Paducah in 1852, and their children are William H., Marie, Edwin P., Maud, Rosela Ilda, Dora and Herbert Warren.

GEORGE G. DAVIS.

George G. Davis, deceased, was born in Trenton, Virginia, in 1830. There he was reared and educated. He became an architect and building contractor, and in 1849 first came to Paducah, the occasion of his coming being to superintend the construction of a marine hospital for the government at this point. This work finished, he decided to locate permanently in Paducah. Accordingly he remained here, and for years was the leading architect and building contractor of the city, following this vocation up to the time of his death, in 1892, his last work being the superintendency of the construction of the Palmer House. In his life work he met with unusual success. Many excellent buildings of Paducah and other cities stand as monuments of his architectural skill and construction work. Financially he was successful, and at death left a fair estate. He was a Knight Templar Mason, and was very fond of lodge work, and in fraternal circles was both prominent and popular.

In 1850 he married Miss Lucy Smedley, daughter of Captain John Smedley, an early resident and one of the founders of Paducah. Mrs. Davis, who survived her late husband, still resides in the old homestead in Paducah. She was born in Lexington, Kentucky, in 1832. She is one of the oldest members of the Baptist church of Paducah, having joined this church at a very early date. Her life has been that of an earnest and consistent Christian. Of her marriage with Mr. Davis were born the following children: Mary, widow of C. Kidd, resides in Paducah; George R.; Charles, deceased; Robert, deceased; Euclid, deceased; Rodney C.; and Lucy, deceased. Three of the children, two sons and a daughter, are living.



G. G. Davis

GEORGE R. DAVIS.

Among the leading citizens, business men and politicians of Paducah, George R. Davis is one of the most widely and favorably known. He was born in this city February 28, 1857; received a fair literary education, and very early in life entered upon what has been an active and successful business career. In the year 1878 he established a sheet-iron and metal works in Paducah. The business prospered from the first, and in 1896 his brother, Rodney C. Davis, accepted a partnership with him, and since that date the style of firm has been George R. Davis & Brother. They have enjoyed a constantly increasing business in the manufacture of sheet iron, cornice and metal works for construction purposes, and as contractors in this line of business.

Mr. Davis married Miss Mary F. Clark, and they are numbered among Paducah's better circles of society. In politics he is a Democrat, and has held several official positions, among which has been that of city councilman and alderman. Mr. Davis is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Masonic order.

RODNEY C. DAVIS.

Rodney C. Davis, the junior member of the firm of George R. Davis & Brother, was born in the city of Paducah, September 21, 1866. In the public schools he was educated, and when eighteen years of age became a clerk in the Paducah postoffice, remaining such until 1886, when he became a traveling salesman, first for J. Weil & Company, wholesale grocers of Paducah, in whose employ he remained till 1890, in which year he accepted a position with the Wemeker, Morris Candy

Company of St. Louis, Missouri, for whom he traveled till 1896, since when he has been associated with his brother as a member of the firm of George R. Davis & Brother, manufacturers of and contractors for sheet iron and metal works.

Mr. Davis possesses more than ordinary business ability, and by those who have the pleasure of his acquaintance he is held in highest esteem. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

JAMES DAVID LANDRUM.

There is no physician and surgeon of the Jackson Purchase more widely or favorably known than Dr. James David Landrum, of Mayfield, Kentucky. The Doctor is a native of Barren county, Kentucky, and was born October 1, 1822. His parents were James and Nancy (Walden) Landrum. His father was born, reared and educated in Amherst county, Virginia. He removed from his native state to Kentucky and settled in Barren county in the year 1809; subsequently removed to Christian county, Kentucky, and died there in 1841. He was a farmer by occupation, and in church faith a Primitive Baptist. He was a son of Thomas Landrum, who died at Amherst Court House, Virginia, at the age of ninety-six years. He was a soldier of the Revolution, and his son, James, was a soldier of the war of 1812. The Landrums are of Scotch-Irish lineage.

Nancy (Walden) Landrum, the mother of our subject, was born in King William county, Virginia, and died in Graves county, Kentucky, at the age of sixty-two years. She married James Landrum in 1814. Her father, William Walden, was born in England, and moved to King William county, Virginia, and subsequently to Kentucky. He

married Nancy Ann Rhodes, of the famous aristocratic Rhodes family of Virginia. He was a farmer by occupation, and in disposition a stern and determined character. Being displeased with his daughter's marriage, he disinherited her.

Dr. James David Landrum was educated in Christian county; studied medicine under Drs. Shelton, McKinney and Lindsay; also at Physio-Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio, entering there in 1848 and graduating in 1853. His first partner in the practice of medicine was Dr. L. D. Shelton, at Lafayette, Christian county, Kentucky; later in Mayfield, from 1877 to 1892, he was associated with Dr. John L. Dismukes. In 1859 he was admitted to membership in the American Medical Association, and he is also a member of both the Graves County and the Southwestern Kentucky Medical societies. He has practiced medicine over a half century, and has kept abreast of the progress of the profession.

He has been twice married. He was married first, in 1850, to Catherine Robbins, who bore him the following named children: William L., Thomas J. and John W. The Doctor's second marriage was to Mrs. Mary Virginia Anderson, *nee* Fisher.

In 1850 Dr. Landrum became a Mason. In 1864 he was grand master of the grand lodge of Kentucky. In 1895 he took the thirty-second degree, and to-day is one of the oldest Masons of the state and nation. In 1839 he joined the Christian church. Since 1871 he has been an elder of the church, and all his life he has been an active worker in the church. During the Civil war he was contract surgeon with General Grant from March to September, 1862, and then resigned. He was elected to the state senate in 1863 as a Union man, and served in the senate till 1867. Since then he has neither held nor sought office,

yet he has ever espoused the principles of the Republican party. Nevertheless he has for many years been an ardent temperance worker. He shares the confidence and esteem of his fellow-citizens, who recognize in him the highest type of American manhood and citizenship.

QUINTUS QUINCY QUIGLEY.

Quintus Quincy Quigley, of Paducah, Kentucky, was born in Paris, Tennessee, July 17, 1828. His father, James B. Quigley, a native of Pennsylvania and of Irish lineage, removed to Tennessee in 1820 and located in Paris. In 1829 he went to Clinton, Hickman county, Kentucky, and later to Milburn. He was prominently identified with the commercial interests of that section of the state as a merchant, manufacturer and tanner, accumulating a considerable fortune. His death occurred November 5, 1861. His wife, Mrs. Martha Quigley, was a daughter of Mathew Ogburn, a Virginian, who, on moving to Tennessee, located near Clarksville. He was of English descent and was one of the earliest settlers of Montgomery county, Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. Quigley left five sons and a daughter. Four of the sons became lawyers. Lafayette, who was born in Clinton, Kentucky, in 1830, died in Paducah in 1858. He was educated in Cumberland College, at Princeton, Kentucky. He was a gifted orator, possessed a ready wit and captivating manner, and his adaptability enabled him to meet with wonderful tact either the humble or the great. A brilliant and successful career seemed opening for him when death came. Henry, who was born in Clinton, Kentucky, April 1, 1834, and died in 1872, studied law under the guidance of his brother, Q. Q. Quigley, and practiced his profession in Troy and St. Joseph, Missouri. His sterling charac-

ter, his analytical mind, his fine attainments and high purposes made him an ornament to the Missouri bar. John G. was born September 16, 1838, and died in 1881. He entered the profession and practiced with great success in Arkansas and Texas.

Q. Q. Quigley was educated in his own home by private tutors, and when prepared for a collegiate course entered Cumberland College, at Princeton, Kentucky, completing the entire classical course, with the exception of Greek. In October, 1848, he entered the law office of John W. Crockett, of Paducah, Kentucky, and was admitted to the bar in 1850, since which time he has been in active practice. He has devoted his time and talents to the law business entrusted to his care, eschewing politics and all other interests which would detract from his success as an attorney. The only exception that he has made to this rule was his acceptance of the office of trustee of the village of Paducah, and his service as city attorney at a later date. He drew up the original charter for the incorporation of Paducah, in 1856, and four years later he served as presidential elector of his district, supporting Bell and Everett. The high character of his law practice demonstrates his ability. Of broad culture and strong mentality, he is fully equipped for the profession which requires as profound, comprehensive and general knowledge as any to which man can devote his talents. He has been retained as counsel on some of the most important cases litigated in the Paducah district, and was the representative of the Prussian government in the case of the extradition of Dessling—an attempt being made to arrest and extradite Dessling for fraudulent appropriation of money in Prussia. The case was hotly contested, and the prisoner was finally discharged on a writ of habeas corpus.

In February, 1853, Mr. Quigley wedded Miss Mary E. Husbands,

daughter of J. B. Husbands. During the period of the war he removed to his father's farm, where he remained three years. They have five children: Bruce, Isaac M., Quintus St. C., John H. and Mary Quintina, now Mrs. Langstaff. Mr. Quigley is a member of the Masonic fraternity. He also holds membership in the Grace Episcopal church, served as vestryman for many years, and for fifteen years was superintendent of the Sunday-school.

WILLIAM SUTTON BISHOP.

William Sutton Bishop, deceased, judge of the second judicial circuit, and a resident of Paducah, was born in Trigg county, near Cadiz, on the 18th of July, 1839, a son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Howard) Bishop. The family removed from Trigg to Ballard county about 1845, and there Judge Bishop was reared to manhood on the home farm, learning from his outdoor life many valuable lessons, while supplementing the same by instruction in school. At the age of seventeen he entered Transylvania University at Lexington, and later engaged in teaching school, following this profession from 1855 to 1860, inclusive.

The following year the country became engaged in Civil war, and with a loyal devotion to the south and the institutions amid which he was reared, he entered the service of the Confederate states as a member of the Seventh Kentucky Infantry, under the command of Colonel Crosslands. He continued at the front until the struggle was ended, and participated in a number of the most important battles of the war.

Upon his return home Mr. Bishop again taught school, and in January, 1867, was united in marriage to Miss Mary A. Hart, daugh-

ter of Samuel Hart, of McCracken county, Kentucky. He had read law under the preceptorship of Oscar Turner, member of congress from the first district of Kentucky, and in 1861 had been admitted to the bar, before entering the army. After his marriage he located in Blandville, and entered upon the pursuit of his chosen profession with Z. L. Bugg, under the firm name of Bugg & Bishop, which partnership was continued until 1879. Afterward, from 1890 to 1892, he was in partnership with W. D. Greer, of Paducah. In 1879 he was elected to the office of judge of the common pleas court, in which he served for six years, when he was re-elected for a second term. When the common pleas courts were abrogated, and the first election occurred under the constitution of 1890, Mr. Bishop was elected judge of the second judicial district, comprising McCracken and Marshall counties. This was in 1892, and his term covered a period of five years. He was a candidate before the convention of the Democratic party for a position on the bench of the court of appeals in 1896, but was defeated for the nomination after a spirited contest between himself, Malcolm Yeaman and James D. White.

On the bench Judge Bishop was able, decided and earnest. He was thoroughly informed in the science of jurisprudence, his familiarity with all authorities having been extensive and accurate. He was especially free from judicial bias, and his decisions were rendered with a fairness that appeals to all. Many important suits came up for hearing before him, and but few cases were carried to the court of appeals, while very few, indeed, of his decisions were ever reversed. He had a strong legal mind, and reasoned on a legal proposition with rapidity and clearness, drawing his conclusions from his own analysis rather than from precedent.

Judge Bishop had three children: Henry, William R. and Joseph. He attended the Methodist Episcopal church, and in early life affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His political support was given to the Democracy, but he was never a politician, preferring to devote his time and talents to the law.

JOHN LAWSON.

John Lawson, deceased, was familiarly known as Captain Jack Lawson. He was an honored citizen of Paducah. He lived to be more than four-score and ten years of age, and his career was as full of adventure, excitement and interest as it was full of years.

Captain Lawson was an Englishman by birth. He was born in Liverpool, August 18, 1805. He was a son of James and Sarah (Travis) Lawson, both natives of Liverpool, where they reared and educated their son and placed him to learn the trade of machinist, and as a machinist he built the first steam locomotive that was ever successfully operated in the world, and as engineer ran it between Liverpool and Manchester. Later he built in the shops of the Stephenson Manufacturing Company, Liverpool, an engine for the little railroad from Baltimore to Green Springs, and was sent to this country by the manufacturers in charge of the engine, which he set up and engineered until his successor had learned how to run it. This was the first railway constructed in America, and the first locomotive engine operated in this country. The time and event was full of interest and attracted world-wide attention. Three separate delegations were sent by the managers of the World's Fair to induce Captain Lawson to go to Chicago as their guest, but he declined the honor. He was twenty-

one years of age when he brought this locomotive to Baltimore; and thereafter he remained in Baltimore about three years, and then went to Philadelphia and assisted in the construction of the first locomotive built in the now celebrated Baldwin Locomotive Works, and rode in it on its first trip to Germantown. He was next employed as engineer on the Petersburg & Roanoke River Railroad. Not long thereafter he went to Alabama, and remained there for three years, and was married to Emily Speed.

Captain Lawson now becomes interested in the great avenues of commerce on the western rivers, and embarks in the business of steamboating. For over fifty years he traversed the waters of the Mississippi from New Orleans to the head of navigation, as well as all of the important tributaries of the "Father of Waters." He began his career on the river as an engineer, but he soon left the engine-room to take command of the vessel, and afterward was the builder and owner of many fine boats. When the Civil war came on he tendered to the authorities his boats for the use of the Confederacy. Seven of his boats, lying in the Yazoo river, before the siege of Vicksburg, were in danger of being captured by the Union army, and he burned the boats to prevent them from falling into the hands of the enemy. He also built and fitted out the gunboat General Polk, which met a similar fate. He then enlisted in the Third Kentucky Regiment, and served as a private in the Confederate army until the close of the war.

About 1840 he came to Paducah, which place was thereafter the place of his residence. When the first railroad was built, connecting Paducah with the outside world, Captain Jack Lawson's experience as a locomotive engineer was again called into requisition, and for a time he was an engineer on the new road. However, he returned to the

river, for at that time river transportation had not been superseded by the railway.

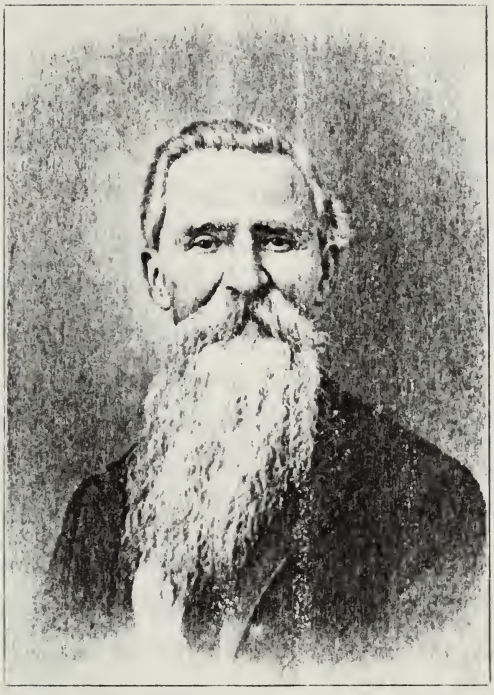
The Civil war closed, he returned to steamboating, and thereafter his operations were mainly confined to the Cumberland river. To some extent he recuperated his fortune, but he never fully recovered his heavy losses incident to the war.

The only office ever held by Captain Lawson was that of engineer of the government building in Paducah, to which position he was appointed by President Cleveland during his first administration. He cast his first presidential vote for Andrew Jackson, and his adherence to the principles of "Old Hickory" was never questioned. And he was just as steadfast in his religious faith, being for years a member of the Presbyterian church. He was also a Knight Templar Mason.

October 16, 1891, his wife passed away in death. She was his companion for over sixty years. Their three children preceded her to the "great beyond" years ago. In the passing away of Captain Jack Lawson, Paducah, the state and the nation lost a worthy and notable character, and with pleasure we hand down to the rising generation a brief account of his career.

JOHN LEROY HALE, M. D.

For twenty years Dr. John Leroy Hale has engaged in the practice of medicine in Wickliffe, and for forty-seven years has been a representative of the medical fraternity. He was born in Mercer county, Kentucky, November 5, 1836, and is a son of Jesse and Mary (Stagg) Hale. He comes of an old Virginian family, his paternal grandparents,



J. L. Hale

Jesse and Nancy (Huff) Hale, being natives of the Old Dominion. Removing westward they became pioneer settlers of Mercer county, Kentucky, where they lived for many years. It was in that county that Jesse Hale, the father of the doctor, was born, the year of his nativity being 1800. When he had arrived at adult age he wedded Miss Mary Stagg, who was born in Pennsylvania and was a daughter of Daniel and Mary (Conover) Stagg, who were natives of the Keystone state. James Stagg, her grandfather, was a captain of the colonial army in the Revolutionary war. Daniel Stagg removed from Pennsylvania to Kentucky, establishing his home in Mercer county, where he and his wife spent their remaining days. In Mercer county the parents of our subject were married, and there they lived for many years, afterward, however, removing to Hancock county, Kentucky, where both died. The father there followed various business pursuits, including farming and the practice of medicine, while other interests also claimed his time and attention. He died in 1875, and his wife passed away in 1881. They were the parents of six children, of whom five are yet living.

On the home farm Dr. Hale spent the days of his boyhood and youth, and while he devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits in the summer months he spent the winter seasons in attending the public schools. When a youth of eighteen he began the study of medicine under the direction of his father, and at the age of twenty years entered upon his professional career as a physician of Mercer county, Kentucky. Desiring to become more proficient in his work he pursued a course in the medical department of the University of Louisville, and throughout his professional career he has read broadly, thus keeping in touch with the advance thought of the fraternity. In 1860 he left Mercer county, Kentucky, removing to Mississippi county, Missouri. He set-

tled on Rush's Ridge about five miles from Birds Point, and there practiced with success until 1883, when on account of high waters he left that locality and moved to Wickliffe, where for twenty years he has followed his chosen calling with marked success. He is a member of the Ballard County Medical Society.

In 1863 occurred the marriage of Dr. Hale and Miss Margaret Harvey, who died in 1873, leaving three children, but only one is now living, Albert H. Hale, insurance and land agent of Wickliffe. In 1875 the doctor wedded Mary Alice Watwood, who died in 1883, leaving one child, Olive, wife of Ernest Buchanan, a farmer of Ballard county. In 1884 he married his present wife, who was then Mrs. Addie Elliott, and whose maiden name was Addie Bizzell. Dr. Hale belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and to the Missionary Baptist church. He is a broad-minded man whose development has never been so abnormal in one direction that he has become a genius, but whose work and interests along many lines have produced a well rounded character. In matters of citizenship he is public-spirited, and every thing pertaining to the material, social, intellectual and moral welfare of his community elicits his interests and often finds him a co-operant factor.

LUCIUS J. BRYANT.

Lucius Jones Bryant, who is cashier of the Bardwell Deposit Bank, and is widely and favorably known in financial circles in Bardwell and Carlisle county, was born in Weakley county, Tennessee, on the 19th of January, 1870, his parents being William Roland and Frances C. (Snodgrass) Bryant. The father was a native of North Carolina, and both he and his wife died when our subject was but ten years of age.

Mr. Bryant was three times married, and Lucius J. was the youngest child of the third marriage.

During his early childhood Mr. Bryant had accompanied his parents to Texas, and it was in that state, in 1879, that both the father and mother departed this life. Lucius then returned to western Tennessee, and lived with his brothers and sisters until about seventeen or eighteen years of age. He then started out in life for himself. Entering the services of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, he learned telegraphy, and was in the employ of that company in the various capacities of operator and agent for some time, being stationed at a number of points along the line of the road. For four years he was agent at Bardwell, and after eleven years' connection with the company he resigned his position, to the regret of those whom he served, for his record was an untarnished one, characterized by fidelity to duty in every relation. On leaving the road he accepted the position of bookkeeper and assistant cashier in the Bardwell Deposit Bank, his connection with the institution dating from the latter part of 1900. In January, 1902, he was promoted to the position of cashier, and has since acted in this capacity. He is a popular official, and has gained favor with the public by reason of his unfaltering courtesy and obliging manner, while with the bank officials he has won the highest respect and confidence by reason of his marked faithfulness and the readiness with which he has mastered the business in its various departments.

In 1895 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Bryant and Miss Beulah Scott, a daughter of A. E. Scott, of Martin, Tennessee. Their children are Breto, Mary and Cynthia. In his political affiliations Mr. Bryant is a Democrat, and is a member of the Missionary Baptist church. He is superintendent of the Sunday-school, and takes a very active part

in church work in all of its branches. In his fraternal relations he is a Master Mason and is now serving as secretary of the lodge. Mr. Bryant is a typical American citizen, enterprising, alert and progressive, and his business career demonstrates his force of character, his strong determination and his laudable ambition. Starting out in life on his own account, at an early age, he has since been dependent upon his own resources, and his advancement to his present excellent position has come in recognition of his capability and fidelity.

LINDSAY R. SUBLETT.

Lindsay R. Sublett, one of the prosperous farmers of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in this county, August 30, 1869, and is a son of John C. and Anna M. (Ringo) Sublett. His paternal grandfather, James Sublett, was of French descent, while the maternal grandfather was James Ringo, who also came of French descent. John C. Sublett was a farmer and trader, and made his home in Hickman county. He was a Methodist, and politically a stanch Democrat. Fraternally he was a Mason, and was a highly respected citizen. He died at the age of sixty-five years. The mother of our subject is still living, aged sixty-five years, residing in Hickman county, Kentucky. Ten children were born to the parents, namely: William E.; James L., deceased; Luther, deceased; Susan A.; Joshua; Lindsay R.; Fairy, deceased; Cora; John; and Harry.

Lindsay R. Sublett was reared in Hickman county, and in the public schools and Clinton College was educated. His first undertaking in life was farming, and he has continued in this honorable pursuit, meeting with success, now owning one hundred acres of well improved

land, which yields him good crops under his toil and management. In politics, like his father before him, he is a stanch Democrat but does not aspire to office. His religious affiliations are with the Baptist church. Mr. Sublett was married in 1901 to Florence Barton, who was born in Hickman county, December 15, 1876. She is well educated and has taught school with success. Mr. and Mrs. Sublett are numbered among the popular young people of their community and have many friends.

JAMES BRYSON HUSBANDS.

James Bryson Husbands, of Paducah, was born in 1805, and died in 1885, after a long and honored connection with the bar of the state. His parents were Harmon and Sarah (Renshaw) Husbands. The former was born in 1776, and in 1805 removed with his family from Rowan county, North Carolina, to Christian county, Kentucky, where he followed his chosen pursuits of farming and surveying. He belonged to a family long identified with the history of the south. His uncle, Harmon Husbands, was among those actively opposed to the royal authority in North Carolina, and so earnest were his labors in that direction that those in the service of the crown offered a reward for his apprehension. His loyalty to the right and to the cause of liberty was strong within him. When he found that he could not remain safely in his native state he made his escape to the wilds of western Pennsylvania, where for a time he was engaged in fighting the Indians. After American independence was established he returned to North Carolina, and later participated in Bacon's rebellion, during which his life was saved by the intervention of Dr. Ben Franklin, a distant relative. The Husbands family is of English origin, and was

founded in America by two brothers, William and John Husbands, who settled in the William Penn colony, now the Keystone state. The Renshaws were also originally from England, and the family early settled in North Carolina, whence its representatives went to Tennessee, locating near Clarksville about the same time that Harmon Husbands and his wife came to Kentucky.

John Bryson Husbands received a common school education and afterward took up the study of law under the preceptorship of William Lander, a leading attorney of Princeton, Kentucky. In 1828 he was licensed to practice and removed to Calloway county, Kentucky, settling on Jackson's purchase, a tract of land west of the Tennessee river and lying along the Ohio to the Mississippi, which had been acquired by treaty with the Chickasaw Indians. In a short time he went to Wilmington, then the county seat of McCracken county, where he made his home from 1830 to 1834, when the county seat having been removed to Paducah, he accordingly went to the latter place. His connection with the bar of that city continued until his death.

In 1832 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Husbands and Miss Maria S. Martin, of McCracken county. His family included James H. Husbands, who was admitted to the bar of Kentucky, and for some time prior to the Civil war was associated in practice with his father. He entered the Confederate service, and after the cessation of hostilities located in Waxahachie, Texas, where he died in 1896. One daughter, Mary, is the wife of Quintus Quincy Quigley, of Paducah, one of the eminent Kentucky jurists.

In 1843 Mr. Husbands united with the Methodist church, in which he retained his membership until the close of his life, taking a very active part in its upbuilding and work, and serving for many years as

trustee. Socially he was connected with the Masonic fraternity. In politics he was a Whig, and for many years active in advancing the party's interests, but declined office of every character. During the war he was a Unionist, opposing secession and advocating peace. He did much to ameliorate the unfortunate conditions brought upon many of his fellow-citizens by the war, and after the trouble was ended he affiliated with the Republican party, but was never bitterly partisan. One of his sons, Henry Lee, was in the Confederate service and was killed at the battle of Shiloh.

Mr. Husband's law practice was general in character, and in the early days (1839-55) he "rode circuit" with the court and lawyers in attendance. He was the pioneer lawyer in western Kentucky, embracing all that part of the state west of the Tennessee river, and engaged in both civil and criminal practice, taking part in most of the important litigation in his district. He met in forensic combat such men as Judge James Campbell, Judge Wiley P. Fowler, Mathew Mayes, Richard L. Mays, Robert A. Patterson, and at a later period, Hon. E. I. Bullock and the celebrated lawyer, John W. Crockett. In the period following the war he largely limited his practice to McCracken circuit, the court of appeals and the federal court. He never retired from his profession, but continued in active connection therewith up to the time of his death, although he was an octogenarian when his life's labors were ended. He had an innate feeling and disposition in favor of peace and good will, rather than strife and litigation, and, if a matter could be settled without resort to the courts, always advised such a course; yet he possessed a fine legal mind, was a persuasive speaker, and in the courtroom the counsel on the other side regarded him as a formidable

opponent. He possessed great kindness of heart and sympathy for the oppressed or unfortunate, and the many admirable qualities of his character won him the respect of all.

JOHN LYNCH DISMUKES, M. D.

Among the prominent physicians and surgeons of western Kentucky is to found Dr. John Lynch Dismukes, of Mayfield. He was born near Nashville, Tennessee, December 20, 1830, and is a son of Paul and Sabina (Bowman) Dismukes. His father was born in Roanoke county, Virginia, in 1811, and was educated at the academy near Clarksville, Tennessee, under Professor Thomas Terrill; was a planter in Davidson county, Tennessee; was a strong southern sympathizer and had four sons in the Confederate army, as follows: Dr. John L. Dismukes, the subject of this sketch; Dr. John Terrill Dismukes, also a surgeon; James Henry Dismukes, of the First Tennessee Regiment, died in hospital at White Sulphur Springs, Virginia, while in the service; and Marcus L. Dismukes, who served under Generals Morgan and Forrest. The father died near Nashville, Tennessee, August 31, 1869. He was a son of Paul Dismukes, a planter of Virginia, but subsequently of Davidson county, Tennessee; served in the continental army during the Revolutionary war; and was a son of Paul Dismukes, a native of Wales, an emigrant to Virginia, and it is believed he came of French ancestors.

Sabina (Bowman) Dismukes, the mother of our subject, was born in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1811, and received her education there. She married Paul Dismukes, January 18, 1829, and died September 30, 1844, and is buried by the side of her husband in Davidson

county, Tennessee. She was a daughter of John Lynch Bowman, who changed his name to John Bowman Lynch in order to inherit the property under the old name, taking the name from his uncle, Thomas Lynch (using the name of Lynch only), who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and whose only son, Thomas Lynch, was lost at sea. John Bowman Lynch inherited the property. The estate is called Lynch Peach Tree Plantation, and is in South Carolina near Georgetown. He studied medicine in the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1800, and while at college was considered very eccentric. He was very wealthy and kept a large home establishment. His wife was Ann Eliza Campbell, of England. She died in 1866. His father, John Bowman, married a daughter of Thomas Lynch, the signer of the Declaration of Independence for and from South Carolina.

The following named were the children born to Paul and Sabina (Bowman) Dismukes: John L., Thomas T., Paul, James H., Marcus L., Esther Ann, Sarah and Sabina Bowman Dismukes.

Dr. John L. Dismukes received his literary education at the University of North Carolina, graduating in 1852; attended the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1856, and in the same year located in Mayfield, Kentucky, and began his career as a physician and surgeon. He is a member of the American Medical Association; of the Tri-State (Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois) Medical Association, of which he was elected its first vice president in 1876-77; of the Kentucky State Medical Association, of which he was its first vice president in 1877; and is a member of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, of which he was president in 1874. He has contributed many articles on medical subjects to various

medical journals, and keeps abreast of the advance of his profession. During the Civil war Dr. Dismukes held the position of surgeon in charge of various hospitals in the Confederate army, especially field hospital surgeon of Pat Cleburne's Division of Hardee's Corps, and was wounded at Chickamauga and again at Franklin, Tennessee. He was one of the incorporators and directors of the Cairo, Tennessee River and Cumberland Gap Railroad. In politics he is a Democrat, and in church relations holds membership in the Baptist church.

In November, 1867, he married Imogen E. Taylor, daughter of Dr. James S. Taylor, of Clinton, Louisiana. The marriage gave issue to these children: Mamie Sabina, wife of H. H. Harris, of Waco, Texas; James Taylor, D. D. S.; Paul Isham; and John L., M. D., of Mayfield.

JOHN ELI MANTLE.

From the age of thirteen years down to the present John Eli Mantle has been a resident of Kentucky, and for many years was a leading agriculturist of Carlisle county, while at the present time he is also identified with manufacturing interests, being connected with the Bardwell Brick & Tile Company. To-day he is numbered among the substantial and successful citizens of the county, but when he started out in life for himself he was a poor boy, without money or influential friends. Realizing that there is no royal road to wealth, he bravely determined to make the most of his opportunities and to work diligently and unremittingly in order to gain the prosperity which is the goal of every business man. He has not only accomplished what he undertook, but has also won an honorable name in business circles, and enjoys the unqualified confidence and regard of his fellow-citizens in Carlisle county.

Mr. Mantle was born in Monroe county, Ohio, October 12, 1835, a son of William and Ellen (Cox) Mantle, the former a native of Pennsylvania and the latter of Ohio. The father had two brothers and two sisters, and other than this, little is known concerning the family. The maternal grandfather of our subject was William Cox, a native of Virginia, and of Scotch ancestry. He became an early settler of Ohio, and it was in that state that the parents of our subject were married. Their children were: Sarah Jane, now deceased; George W., a farmer of Carlisle county, Kentucky; John Eli; and William, who died in Missouri. The father was a farmer by occupation and died in Ohio. In the spring of 1849 the widowed mother and her children left Ohio and settled in Ballard county, Kentucky, where she lived until 1866. She then removed to Greenville, Illinois, where she died at the advanced age of eighty-eight years. She was a woman of strong force of character, of great breadth of soul, and to her children she was a most devoted and loving mother.

John E. Mantle was a lad of thirteen years when he came to Kentucky, where he has since lived. He came to Kentucky in the late fall of 1848, and in the following spring his mother and other of her children followed him to Kentucky. He was reared amid pioneer scenes in Ballard county, and had but limited educational privileges. He has seen the county develop from a wilderness to its present improved condition, and has taken part in the work of development as far as lay in his power. In 1860 he was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Kassee, who was born in Tennessee and was brought to Kentucky by her parents during her girlhood. They have but one child, Mary, who is now the wife of O. T. Black, a farmer of Carlisle county.

In 1862 Mr. Mantle took up his abode upon a tract of land in

Carlisle county, situated on the waters of Mayfield creek, between Blandville and Bardwell. He cleared and improved that property, developing a fine farm, which he still owns. In his agricultural pursuits he was successful, and as the years passed his well tilled fields brought to him golden harvests. He also added to his place modern facilities for its cultivation, the latest improved machinery enabling him to carry on the work along progressive lines, and thus he prospered and became one of the leading agriculturists of the county. He still owns his farm, although in 1899 he removed to the town of Bardwell, where he has since lived. The following year, in partnership with others, he established the Bardwell Brick & Tile Company, with which he has since been closely identified, and it is now a leading and profitable enterprise of Bardwell.

Mr. Mantle was formerly a Democrat, but is now an ardent Populist, while he and his wife are devoted members of the Christian church. There is no man in Carlisle county who more justly deserves the proud American title of "a self-made man" than Mr. Mantle, who is familiarly known by the given name of "Jeff." His life has been useful, active and honorable, and it is with pleasure that we present his history to our readers as that of a representative and honored citizen of Bardwell and Carlisle counties.

MORSE I. MAXON.

Morse I. Maxon, one of the most prominent and successful men of McCracken county, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1832. He was a son of Jesse and Jane Mangle Maxon. His paternal grandfather, Stephen Maxon, was descended from John Maxon, who came from England to Westerly, Rhode Island, in 1634. Stephen Maxon

came from Westerly to New Jersey, thence to Pennsylvania, and was among the first settlers on Redstone river, where he and his descendants lived for more than one hundred years in the same old house of stone which may still be seen as one of the landmarks of an earlier day. Two highly prized relics brought from this ancient home of the Maxons are now in possession of the family, a coat worn by a member of the family at the battle of Monmouth, and a camp kettle used during the war of 1812.

Jesse Maxon and Jane Mangle were married in Washington, Pennsylvania, and to them were born: Clarissa, Phoebe, Margaret, Jane, Elizabeth Unity, Cassandra, Stephen Wesley, James and Morse. He was engaged in milling for twenty-five years in Pittsburg, and in 1850 came to Metropolis, Illinois, where he was occupied in teaching and farming until his death, which occurred in 1854, when he was sixty-five years of age. His wife died in 1880, aged eighty-four.

Morse Maxon came to Illinois in 1850, where he was married to Miss Mary Jane Cabell, of New Orleans, Louisiana, a daughter of Captain William Cabell, of that city. To them were born William Orville and Stephen Wayne Maxon. In 1852 he engaged in milling in Booneville and Evansville, Indiana, and later in Paducah, Kentucky, from where he removed to Metropolis, Illinois, and under the firm name of Brown & Maxon the Metropolitan Mills were built and operated for four years. Then, at the strong solicitation of the people, Mr. Maxon was induced to come to McCracken county, and in 1871 he established the Relief Mills at Maxon, which he conducted successfully, doing an extensive business, requiring, in common with his other interests, a large amount of capital.

In 1892 he retired from business to give his attention more fully

to his immense farming interests, consisting of some five hundred acres of the richest and best farming land in the county, lying adjacent to the river, also the most notable stock farm in McCracken county, containing three hundred and fifty acres, situated five miles west of Paducah.

He was married a second time, becoming the husband of Miss Sallie Kennedy, of Metropolis, and the children of this marriage are two girls, Jessie and Daisy Maxon. Coming to McCracken county when Paducah was a country village, and the surrounding country an almost unbroken forest, he may be called one of McCracken county's representative men, no other one man having done more by the liberal use of his means to develop the country, and, although failing health had of late years prevented him from being often away from home, yet it will be long ere he and his widespread charities are forgotten, for none was ever turned away empty-handed, and the humble debtor's debts were always freely forgiven. He was baptized in infancy by Rector Morse, of the Episcopal church, for whom he was named, and later became, with his wife, a member of the Methodist church. He died July 21, 1903, full of honors and beloved by all who knew him.

ALFRED C. FISHER.

Alfred Crittenden Fisher is actively connected with agricultural and stock-raising interests in Carlisle county. He was born on a farm in this county about one mile east of Bardwell, on the 8th of April, 1851, and is a son of John and Narcissa (Hutson) Fisher. His parents were natives of White county, Tennessee, and were there reared and married, and four of their children were born to them in that state,

namely: William B., Matthew H., John, who was drowned at Columbus, Kentucky, while serving in the Confederate army in the Civil war, and James, who served throughout the war as a defender of the south, and died in 1899. The last named was a well known man and public official, prominent in Kentucky and honored by all who knew him. On coming to this state the parents settled on a farm south of Bardwell, where occurred the birth of our subject. This section of the country was then covered with dense forests, and amid the wild scenes of frontier life the family lived, sharing in many of the hardships which fall to the lot of those who establish homes amid pioneer conditions. Other children were added to the family here, namely: Ann, now deceased; George W., a resident farmer of Carlisle county; Thomas, who has also passed away; Alfred C.; Mary; Norbin, of Arkansas; Fountain P., a farmer of Carlisle county; and Read, who is also following farming in this county. The father devoted his energies to agricultural pursuits throughout his entire life. He and his wife held membership in the Methodist church, and they enjoyed the highest regard of all who knew them.

Alfred C. Fisher was reared upon the home farm, and received but limited education in his youth, for his services were needed in the work of the fields. He remained under the parental roof until twenty-two years of age, at which time he was married. In 1873 he married Miss Eliza Boswell, who was born in Shelby county, Kentucky, and died on the 6th of November, 1879, at the age of thirty-one years, leaving one child, John William Fisher, whose birth had occurred on the 16th of July, 1879, and who is now with the Armour Packing Company, at Nashville, Tennessee. He wedded Miss Mallie Adcock, a daughter of the Rev. C. Adcock, of Carlisle county, and to him and his wife has

been born a son, Floris Allen. In 1884 Mr. Fisher was again married, his second union being with Miss Mary Lucinda Overstreet, a daughter of James and Emily (Smith) Overstreet, the former a native of Spencer county, Kentucky, and the latter of Shelby. Her paternal grandfather was John Overstreet, a representative of an old, distinguished Kentucky family. Her maternal grandfather was Reuben Smith, who also belonged to one of the old families of the state. Mrs. Fisher's parents became early settlers of McCracken county, Kentucky, and it was there that Mrs. Fisher was born, on the 17th of October, 1854. Mrs. Fisher was a successful teacher for five years in the schools of McCracken and Ballard counties just before her marriage. By her marriage she has become the mother of two sons: Ernest Pruitt, born February 26, 1886, and James Alfred, born on the 13th of March, 1892.

After Mr. Fisher's first marriage he settled about three miles east of Bardwell, upon a farm, where he resided continuously until 1898, when he removed to his present residence, just on the eastern border of Bardwell. Throughout his business career he has carried on farming. He began life with limited capital, and, purchasing one hundred acres of land, went in debt for the entire amount of one thousand dollars. As rapidly as possible he paid off this sum, however, and soon the entire obligation was discharged. Later he made other purchases, until his farm comprised two hundred and forty acres, which he placed under a very high state of cultivation, and upon the farm he made excellent improvements, developing his property into one of considerable value. He still owns this farm, and also has twenty-six acres at the place of his residence. For twenty-two years he has made a specialty of stock dealing, and has found this a profitable source of income. Mr. Fisher deserves much credit for what he has accomplished, and his life

history proves the force of energy and enterprise in life's activities, and should serve as a source of encouragement and inspiration to others. Both he and his wife are faithful members of the Methodist church, and in his political affiliations Mr. Fisher is a Democrat. He has never held or desired office, preferring to give his time and attention to his business affairs, in which he has met with signal success.

HENRY C. BURNETT.

Henry C. Burnett, of Cadiz, Kentucky, was born in Essex county, Virginia, November 25, 1825, and died in Cadiz, Kentucky, on the 25th of September, 1886. His father, Dr. Isaac Burnett, of Essex county, Virginia, was a physician of pronounced ability and high reputation. Of scholarly attainments and literary taste, he gave much of his life to study, and few men were better informed on matters of general interest, while in the fields of literature he carried his investigations far and wide. He took much interest in the political questions of the day, and served in the state legislature, both in the house of representatives and in the senate. He married a Miss Martha Garnett, in Virginia, who belonged to the prominent Virginia family of that name.

Henry C. Burnett came with his parents to Kentucky in his early childhood, and began his education in the common schools of Trigg county, after which he attended an academy at Hopkinsville. He began the study of law in the office of Judge Collins P. Bradley, of Cadiz, and in 1847 was admitted to the bar. In 1850 he was elected to the office of clerk of the circuit court, in which capacity he served for two years.

In 1854 he became a candidate for Congress, against Linn Boyd,

who had been a member of Congress for fifteen years. The contest for the nomination was so close that an agreement was entered into by which Mr. Burnett withdrew from the contest, and Mr. Boyd agreed not to become a candidate against Mr. Burnett again. This agreement was carried out, and in 1855, at the age of thirty years, Mr. Burnett was elected to represent his district in the council chambers of the nation. On the expiration of his first term he was re-elected and was a member of Congress at the opening of the Civil war, having served in Congress six years.

The history of his campaign, opposed by Mr. Oscar Turner, of Ballard county, furnishes one of the most interesting episodes in the annals of the district. It is remembered to-day by the old men of the district, who love to tell the story of these jousts of wits, and who mourn the fact that oratory is a lost art.

Although originally opposed to secession, Mr. Burnett's strong sympathy with the south led him to resign his seat in Congress in 1861. He left Washington in company with John C. Breckinridge and J. D. Bright, to take part in the rebellion. He returned to Kentucky and was made colonel of the Eighth Kentucky Infantry, and was with his regiment at the battle of Fort Donelson. Just before this battle he was elected to the Confederate states senate by the provisional legislature at Russellville, Kentucky, and served as a member of that body until the fall of the Confederacy, leaving Richmond just before its evacuation by General Lee.

Mr. Burnett returned to Kentucky by way of Washington, District of Columbia, where he reported to President Andrew Johnson, with whom he had served in Congress, and who advised him to return home. He was, however, arrested in Louisville, Kentucky, and again

in Cadiz, on the charge of treason, but was released on bond and never brought to trial, the prosecution having been dismissed, nor was he ever indicted. Resuming his law practice, he was as successful at the bar as he was on the hustings, and did a most extensive and lucrative business. His career, however, was cut short by death, September 28, 1866,—a victim of that dread disease, cholera.

Mr. Burnett was married April 13, 1847, to Mary A. Terry, of Cadiz, a native of Henry county, Virginia. They have three surviving children: the Hon. Henry Burnett, of Paducah, Kentucky; Mary and Muscoe.

Mr. Burnett was a member of the Christian church and of the Masonic fraternity. He was a gentleman of fine physique, commanding presence, with a clear, well modulated voice, and was a master of the art of oratory. His broad scholarship and his mental alertness produced a quickness at retort in the courtroom and a readiness at repartee in social life that were very effective. Withal he was a man of exceeding kindness of heart and great courtesy of manner, and had the affection of the people of his congressional district and the love and respect of all who knew him. He had the courage of his convictions to a marked degree, and he commanded the regard of even those whose opinions differed from his own. His life was true and noble, and his career served to add brilliance to the fair name of his family.

While Mr. Burnett's fame rests mainly on his success at the bar and in the forum, it was in the domestic circle that his many virtues and lovable qualities were most distinguished.

JAMES L. MOSS.

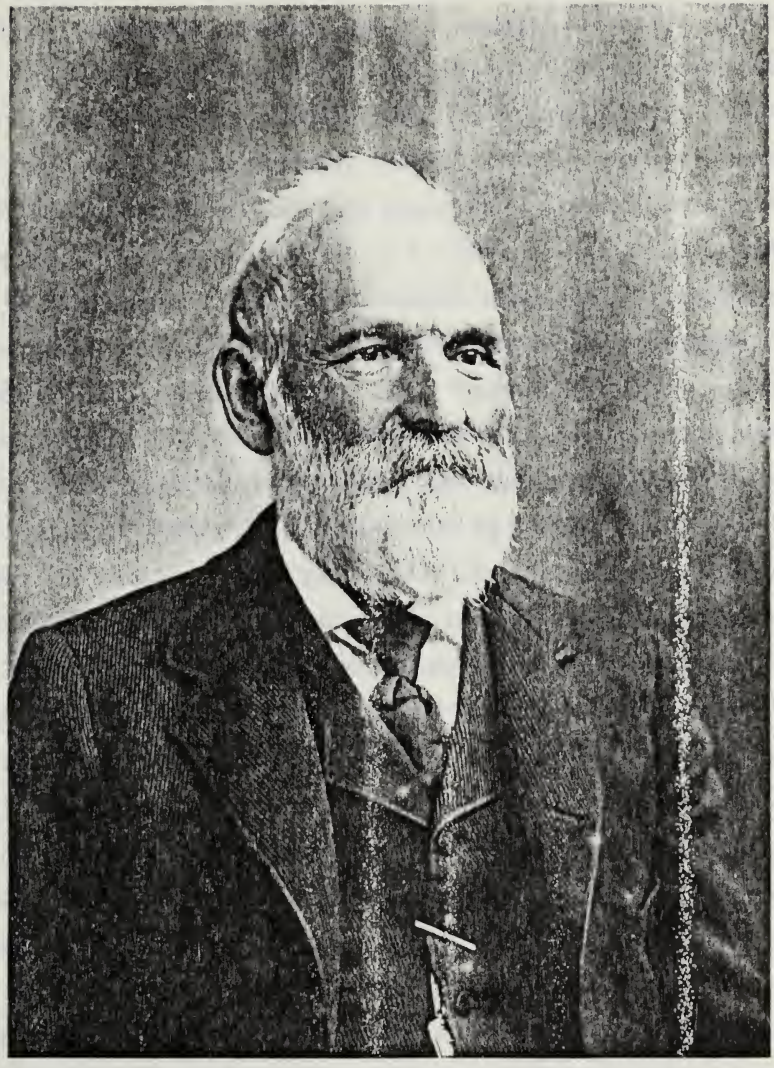
James L. Moss, of Clinton, is one of the extensively and favorably known citizens of Hickman county. He was born in Green county, Kentucky, April 15, 1847. His parents were George B. and Elizabeth (Marshall) Moss, both natives of the same county and state.

James L. Moss was reared principally by his maternal grandfather, Beverly Marshall, and was given a fair education. In 1870, when a young man of twenty-three years, Mr. Moss became deputy circuit and county clerk, and for years thereafter was a public official of Hickman county. The last office held was that of county clerk, from which he retired. He was elected to this office in 1882, and held it two terms. For years he was a member of the firm of L. C. & J. L. Moss, dealers in farm machinery.

Mr. Moss was married in August, 1882, to Miss Love Beeler, daughter of the late Dr. George Beeler, of Clinton. Mrs. Moss recently passed away in death.

A. J. CONANT.

To Adoniram Judson Conant belongs the distinction of having the first house in Kuttawa, Kentucky, and of being the first business man of the town. Mr. Conant is of New England birth and parentage, and has in his make-up many of the sterling characteristics which belonged to his worthy ancestry. He was born in New Ipswich, New Hampshire, April 30, 1831, son of Andrew Conant, a native of the same place. Andrew Conant was by occupation a farmer, in religion a Baptist and politically a Democrat; occupied a representative place



A. J. Conant

among the people of his locality, serving them in various local offices; moved to Massachusetts in 1840, and in that state passed the closing years of his life, dying there at the ripe old age of eighty-four. His father was a native of Massachusetts and was descended from English ancestry, who were among the early colonial settlers. Rodger Conant, a member of this family was the first governor of Massachusetts under King George III. The mother of A. J. Conant is supposed to have been of German origin. She was by maiden name Miss Emily Farnsworth, was born in New England (Massachusetts or New Hampshire), and died at the age of eighty-four years. Andrew and Emily Conant were the parents of twelve children, seven sons and five daughters, and with one exception all reached adult age, and seven are still living.

Of this large family A. J. is the sixth in order of birth and the fifth son. He was about nine years old at the time the family moved from New Hampshire to Massachusetts, and he received his education in the common schools of those states, remaining a member of the home circle until he was twenty. At that age he started out in life for himself, as a farmer, working by the month, and was thus occupied one season. The next two years he worked in a sawmill. California at this time was offering many flattering inducements to the young men of the east to seek their fortunes on the Pacific coast, and among those who went in 1854 was A. J. Conant. He made the journey by way of Nicaragua to San Francisco, spent nearly seven years in California, engaged in mining, and returned to New York city via Panama. Returning to his old home in Massachusetts, he soon engaged in milling, at Leominster, where for four years he was in partnership with his brother. In the meantime civil war had been declared, and he entered the army and served one year, 1862-63, as

a member of Company C, Fifty-third Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. In 1864 Mr. Conant sold out and went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he entered the employ of the Roye Wheel Company, with which he remained about three years. He came to Kentucky in April, 1868, remaining in the northern part of the state until October and then coming to his present location at Kuttawa. Here he was in partnership with his brother, in a grist mill, six years, at the end of which time he purchased his brother's interest and continued the business alone until 1889, when he sold out and retired, after having rounded out a period of twenty-one years in the milling business. He has also had various interests aside from the milling business. His whole life here has been characterized by an effort to advance the welfare of the town, and he has been recognized as one of its leading men of affairs. Mr. Conant was made president of the Citizens' Bank at the time it was organized in 1894 and continued as such until 1903, when he was succeeded by W. B. Smith. At present he is a director and one of the largest stockholders in this bank. He was identified with the Kuttawa Cooperage Company at the time of its organization, as one of its directors.

Mr. Conant has been twice married. In 1864 he married Miss Roxanna Cromwell, by whom he had four children, three dying in infancy. The surviving member of the family is Ada E., wife of Evert B. Richardson. Mrs. Conant died in 1876, and in 1877 Mr. Conant married Miss Katy Varnell. There are no children by this marriage.

Mr. Conant is a stanch Republican, has always taken an interest in local politics, and has been honored with official positions, such as member of the school board and town council. At this writing he is

treasurer of the board of trustees of Kuttawa. Religiously he is a Presbyterian, and is an elder and an active worker in the church. Fraternally he affiliates with the Masonic order, having membership in Suawanee Lodge, No. 190, A. F. & A. M., the chapter at Eddyville and the commandery at Paducah.

GEORGE W. FISHER.

The name of Fisher is closely associated with agricultural interests in Carlisle county, for through many years representatives of the family have been carrying on general farming and stock-raising interests here. George W. Fisher follows the calling which has been the work of most of the members of the family, and is now prospering in his undertakings, owning and operating one hundred acres of land. He is a native son of Carlisle county, his birth having occurred near Bardwell on the 16th of June, 1845. His father, John Fisher, was born in White county, Tennessee, and after arriving at years of maturity was there married to Miss Narcissa Hutson, also a native of that locality. On coming to Kentucky they settled upon a farm south of Bardwell in Carlisle county, and there the father carried on agricultural pursuits throughout his remaining days. He and his wife held membership in the Methodist church, and their lives were in consistent harmony with their Christian faith. They reared a large family of children as follows: William B.; Matthew H.; John, who was a soldier of the Confederate army and was drowned at Columbus, Kentucky, while in the service; James, who served throughout the war in the Confederate army and died in 1899; Ann, deceased; George W.; Thomas, who has also passed away; Alfred C., a resident farmer of Carlisle county;

Mary; Norbin, who is located in Arkansas; Fountain P. and Read, who are agriculturists of Carlisle county.

George Washington Fisher has always made his home in this county, where his parents located only a short time prior to his birth. Under the parental roof he was reared, and, although his school privileges were somewhat limited, he has gained a practical education through experience, observation and reading. He remained with his father until twenty-six years of age, and was then married and started out in life on his own account. It was on the 1st of April, 1871, that he was joined in wedlock to Miss Jennie Raburn, a daughter of William Raburn, of Owen county, Kentucky. It was in Owen county that Mrs. Fisher was reared, and there she became a successful teacher, following that profession for nine years. At the end of that time, on account of failing health, she came to Carlisle county, hoping that she might be benefited by the change, and here she met and married Mr. Fisher. To them have been born five children: John, who follows farming in Carlisle county; Walter, who is connected with the same pursuit; Essie, who is the wife of William Hutson, a farmer of Carlisle county; Robert, who assists his father in the operation of the home farm; and Arie, also under the parental roof.

At the time of his marriage Mr. Fisher purchased fifty acres of land, which was uncleared. Hewing the logs, he built a log house and set to work to further improve and develop the property. Here he has since carried on agricultural pursuits, and now rich fields of grain are seen where once stood the dense forest trees. He has also added to his property until within the borders of his farm is comprised a tract of one hundred acres. Everything about the place now indicates the owner to be one of the substantial and successful citizens of the com-

munity. They began life, however, in very limited financial circumstances, and that he has prospered is due to his own labor and carefully directed energies. Mr. Fisher and his wife are identified with the Methodist church through membership relations, and take an active interest in its work. They have many friends, who esteem them highly because of their many excellent traits of character. Mr. Fisher was reared amid the pioneer scenes and has witnessed much of the improvement and development of this part of the state. He has seen its forests cleared away, giving place to splendid farms, has seen thriving towns and villages grow up and all the evidences of an advanced civilization introduced, until now Carlisle county takes rank with the leading counties of this great commonwealth.

HON. N. P. MOSS.

Conspicuous among the lawyers of western Kentucky is Hon. N. P. Moss, of Clinton. He is a native of Tennessee, born in Wilson county, February 15, 1835. His parents were John and Susan (Murray) Moss, both natives of Halifax county, Virginia. The father was born in the year 1798 and died in 1867; and the mother was born in the year 1802 and died in 1873. They were married in 1822, and in 1843 removed to Hickman county, Kentucky. The father was a farmer by occupation.

On the farm N. P. Moss was reared. After attending Clinton Seminary, he entered Bethel College, Tennessee, and there completed a liberal literary education. Predilection led him to the study of law. Colonel E. Crossland was his preceptor in the law. In 1858 he was admitted to the bar, and going to Texas was there engaged in the prac-

tice of law till 1861, when he enlisted in Company C, Fifth Texas Infantry, Confederate army. He served till the battle of Gettysburg, when he was taken prisoner and confined at Fort Donelson till the close of the war. He then returned to Clinton, Kentucky, and resumed the practice of law. In 1871 he was married to Miss Ada M. Semple, of Clinton, now deceased. She bore him two daughters, Mary and Nellie, and one son, Harry.

Mr. Moss has always been a Democrat in politics, and besides holding other minor offices has held the position of circuit judge one term. As a lawyer and jurist he has long held high rank. As a citizen he has ever been public-spirited and in sympathy with all measures tending to advance the public good.

THOMAS DAWSON BUGG, M. D.

Thomas Dawson Bugg, M. D., a successful physician of Bardwell, Kentucky, was born in Hickman county, the same state, on a farm, February 23, 1870. He is a son of William Eli and Ida Andora (Hill) Bugg; the former was born in Hickman county, Kentucky, where he now resides, being about sixty-seven years of age; he has been very successful as a farmer. His father was known as Uncle Isaac Bugg, born in Virginia, and one of the early settlers of Hickman county. The mother of our subject was born in Graves county, Kentucky. Three children were born to the parents of Dr. Bugg.

Dr. Bugg was reared upon the parental farm and educated first in the public schools and then at Marion College, Clinton, Kentucky. He then went to Douglasville College, in Georgia, and finally took up a scientific course in the Agricultural College at Lexington, Kentucky.

In the meanwhile, during some six years, he taught school very successfully, and entered the medical department of the Nashville University, from which he was graduated with his degree. Immediately thereafter he located at Gibson, Tennessee, and for two years practiced his profession, then removed to Bardwell, Kentucky, where he has since remained. Dr. Bugg is a member of the West Tennessee Medical Society, the Kentucky State Medical Association, the Carlisle County Medical Society and the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society. Fraternally he is a member of the Odd Fellows, in politics is a Democrat, while religiously he is connected with the Methodist church.

In 1893 he married Mattie B. Graham, daughter of J. R. Graham, of Clinton, Kentucky, in which city she was born. Three children have come of this union, namely: Leland, Graham and Hilliard. Dr. Bugg has many friends throughout the county, where he is regarded as a leading representative of his profession.

E. P. CAMPBELL.

Edward Peter Campbell was born in Caldwell county, Kentucky, on the 21st of October, 1832, and died in Hopkinsville, June 30, 1896. His parents, Samuel and Lucy (Wilcox) Campbell were of Scotch-Irish parentage. The father removed to Christian county, Kentucky, when about seventeen years old—a young man without friends, influence or wealth to aid him on the journey of life, but the possibilities which lie before every individual he utilized and steadily worked his way up to a position of affluence.

Mr. Campbell, whose name begins this sketch, acquired a liberal

education in the schools of Christian county and of Cumberland College, and in 1855 began the study of law with Judge George B. Cook, of Princeton. After his admission to the bar he began practice in Princeton, and in 1865 removed to Hopkinsville, where he soon won distinction as one of the most able practitioners in that section of the state. He was remarkably successful, his mind being peculiarly adapted to the handling of the intricate questions of jurisprudence, which require the most careful analysis, the closest reasoning and clearest presentation. In 1860 Mr. Campbell was elected commonwealth's attorney for the twenty-fifth judicial district and served eight years. In 1871 he was elected to the state senate, but resigned the following year in order to give his undivided attention to his profession. He was a man of honor and integrity and a public spirited citizen. It was said of him that he was one of the oldest and best known and most accomplished members of the bar, a lawyer of great ability and high attainments, ever faithful to the interest of his clients. The bar of his county passed resolutions of respect at the time of his death and the entire community mourned his loss. He was elected president of the Bank of Hopkinsville and devoted his time to the banking business for several years prior to his death.

In 1858 was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Campbell and Miss Caroline E. Taylor, daughter of Dr. William Dabney Taylor, a man of high culture. He graduated at a medical college at Philadelphia and in Cincinnati, and attained a high degree of success as a practitioner in Jefferson county, Kentucky, where he followed his profession until his death at the comparatively early age of forty-five. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are Edward, of the American Central Insurance Company, of St. Louis; Walter, who is engaged in the insurance business;

Charles, who is attending school in Louisville; Hugh, a reporter for the *Independent* of Hopkinsville; and Flavius, in Hopkinsville.

Mr. Campbell was a stanch advocate of the principles of the Republican party but was not an active participant in the strife for office, which he never sought and frequently declined. He belonged to the Masonic fraternity and for years was an active member of the Baptist church. He gave his hearty co-operation to all enterprises calculated to prove of public benefit, and was ever thoughtful of the interests of others, while to young men just starting out in the legal profession he was especially helpful.

JAMES W. HENRY.

James W. Henry, superintendent of schools for Hickman county, Kentucky, was born on a farm in this county, June 19, 1871, son of Joseph G. and Mary E. (Handley) Henry. His paternal grandparents were Alexander and Sarah D. (Oliver) Henry, the former a native of North Carolina, born in 1796; the latter of Virginia. It was in Graves county, Kentucky, that Alexander Henry and wife were married, each having emigrated in early life from their native states to Kentucky. Some time after their marriage they moved to Hickman county, this state, where they passed the rest of their lives and died, his age at death being eighty-one years, hers ninety-three years. He was a soldier in the Mexican war, and by reason of his service in that war his aged widow drew a pension up to the time of her death, in 1895.

Joseph G. Henry was born in Graves county, and passed his life as a farmer in Kentucky. He died in Hickman county, in 1901, at the age of sixty-seven years. Politically, he was a Democrat, and, religiously,

was a member of the Methodist church, of which his wife also is a consistent member. She is still living in Hickman county. Like her worthy husband, she is a native of Kentucky. She was born at Elkton, Todd county, and when young was left an orphan. Following are the names of her children: Sidney J., a farmer of Graves county; Rosa, wife of John H. Humphreys, of Hickman county, Kentucky; William D., a practicing physician of Crutchfield, Kentucky; James W.; Ada, wife of D. B. Horn, of Hickman county; and Augusta E., wife of Frank Pierson, of Graves county.

James W. Henry grew up as a farmer boy, attending the country schools. By the time he was eighteen he had acquired sufficient knowledge to enable him to teach a public school, and by teaching he worked his way to a higher education. He was for some time a student in Marvin College, at Clinton, Kentucky, after which he entered Douglasville (Georgia) College, where he graduated in 1893. When not in college Mr. Henry was engaged in teaching up to the time of his election to the office of county superintendent of schools, in November, 1897. His re-election to this office in 1901, by a large majority, is evidence of his popularity and his fitness for the position. Mr. Henry is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is a Democrat and a Knight of Pythias.

THAD. M. COLLINS.

Thad. M. Collins, county attorney of Carlisle county, Kentucky, and a prominent resident of Bardwell, was born on a farm one mile from Arlington, Kentucky, October 10, 1866. He is a son of Jesse Lewis and Louise (McDaniel) Collins, born in Hickman county, Kentucky.

The father was born in 1826, and died in Carlisle, Kentucky, in 1893. He was a son of William Collins, who in turn was born in South Carolina and was a pioneer settler of Hickman county, where he lived and died. He was a farmer by occupation and a worthy good man. The mother was born about 1828, and died in Carlisle county about 1872. She bore her husband the following children: Georgia, who married W. F. Cheery, a farmer and lives near Arlington; Joseph H., a Methodist preacher, an evangelist; Jesse Lewis, a farmer of Arkansas; and Thad. M. The father was a successful man and a Democrat in politics. He and his wife were Methodists and reared their children in that faith.

Thad. M. Collins was reared in his native county and educated at Marvin College, Clinton, Kentucky, and for three years taught school. In 1884 he went to California and remained until 1887, teaching school for two years of that time, after which he returned to Kentucky and entered college, where he spent two years. He then taught for a year, and was the Democratic candidate for county superintendent in 1890, and was elected by a handsome majority. For the following four years he served in that office, and in the meanwhile was studying law, and was admitted to the bar in 1895, since which time he has practiced in Bardwell, with several interruptions. From 1896 to 1898 he published and edited the Bardwell *Star*, which he sold and then resumed his practice. In 1901 he was elected county attorney, and still ably fills that important office. Fraternally he is a Master Mason.

In 1893 he was married to Miss Belle Shelbourne, daughter of Robert L. Shelbourne, of Blandville, and they have four children living and one deceased.

JUDGE SAMUEL J. MOORE.

One of the most prominent and influential residents of Ballard county is Judge Samuel Jenkins Moore, who is now serving for the second term as county judge. His business interests, too, are varied and extensive, and he is now following agricultural pursuits, is dealing in lumber and has valuable realty holdings. It is always a pleasure to see true merit suitably rewarded and to behold the prosperity of those who eminently deserve it, as does the subject of this review. At an early age he learned one of the great lessons of life, that there is no royal road to wealth, and therefore he toiled industriously until he has gained not only a snug little fortune but also the esteem and confidence of the people with whom he has been associated for many years.

Judge Moore was born in Ballard county, September 22, 1859, and is a son of John D. and Lucy (Semple) Moore. The father was born upon a farm near Hopkinsville, Christian county, Kentucky, and died in Ballard county in 1878, during the early boyhood of the judge. The grandparents were Captain Jackson and Amelia (Elliott) Moore. Captain Moore was a native of Virginia and was married there, after which he came to Kentucky, becoming one of the early settlers of Christian county. About 1844 he came to Ballard county, where he spent his remaining days. He was a farmer by occupation, following that pursuit throughout his entire career. The mother of our subject was born in Brandenberg, Meade county, Kentucky, and was a daughter of Isaac Semple, one of the early settlers of Ballard county, while her mother belonged to the prominent old family of Brandenbergs. Mr. and Mrs. John D. Moore became the parents of four children, who are yet living, namely: Samuel J.; Carrie E., who is the wife of Luther

Morris, of Clinton county; Robert S., a farmer and lumberman of Carlisle county, Kentucky; and Minnie, who is the wife of Robert M. Ray, of Florida. In order to provide for his family Mr. Moore engaged in the tilling of the soil and was a prosperous farmer of Ballard county. Both he and his wife held membership in the Baptist church. His death occurred in 1878, while she passed away in 1879. Their lives were upright and honorable, and they won the high regard which is ever accorded to sterling worth.

Judge Moore obtained a common school education in his youth. When he was about twenty years of age his parents died, and he started out in life for himself. In connection with his brother he engaged in the erection of a grist mill and saw mill at Blandville and at other places in Ballard and Carlisle counties. He also carried on merchandising in Wickliffe for about three years. At the end of that time his store was destroyed by fire. In 1890 he was elected county clerk, which position he filled for two terms, one of three years and one of four years' duration, and in 1897 he was chosen for the office of county judge, wherein he served so acceptably that he was re-elected in 1901, and is the incumbent at the present time. In politics he is an active Democrat, having always given his support to the party, whose principles he endorses, while he labors earnestly for their adoption. A man of resourceful business ability, of keen discrimination and marked enterprise, he has carried forward to successful completion whatever he has undertaken. His efforts have not been confined alone to the business interests before mentioned, for at the present time he is carrying on farming, and is also dealing in lumber and in real estate.

In 1897 Judge Moore was united in marriage to Miss Maude A. Nichols, a daughter of James W. Nichols, of Ballard county, Kentucky.

They have one child, Minnie. Judge and Mrs. Moore belong to the Baptist church, and he holds membership relations with the Masonic fraternity. In every relation in life in which he has been found he has always been true to the trust reposed in him, and in public office he has made an enviable reputation, for over the record of his official career there falls no shadow of wrong or suspicion of evil.

THOMAS M. DICKEY.

The reputation which Thomas Mirax Dickey has won in business and financial circles ranks him as one of the leading men of Wickliffe, where he is now cashier of the First National Bank. He was born in Barren county, Kentucky, on the 2d of June, 1831, and is a son of Elisha and Sallie (Stone) Dickey, both of whom were natives of Madison county, Kentucky. The paternal grandfather, Ebenezer Dickey, was also born in Madison county, Kentucky, but spent the greater part of his life in Simpson county, this state, where he followed the occupation of farming. The maternal grandfather of our subject was a native of Maryland and became an early settler of Madison county, Kentucky. He was related to the Stone family, one of whose representatives signed the Declaration of Independence.

It was in the county of their nativity that Elisha Dickey and Sallie Stone were married, but soon afterward they removed to Barren county, Kentucky, where they lived until called to their final rest. For many years the father conducted a tavern at Prewitts Knob, and was a well known, prominent and influential resident of his community. He died when about seventy years of age, while his wife passed away at the

age of forty-two years. They were the parents of five children, of whom Thomas M. is the youngest, and he has now only one sister living.

At Prewitts Knob the youth of Thomas Mirax Dickey was passed, and he acquired a fair education in the country schools. He remained at home until the death of his father, which occurred when the son was twenty years of age. Mr. Dickey served for two years as deputy clerk in the circuit court at Glasgow, and when twenty-four years of age was elected to represent his district in the legislature on the Anti-Knownothing ticket. He served for one term and was an active and able member of the house. In the meantime Mr. Dickey had studied law, and when twenty-five years of age was admitted to the bar, entering upon practice at Glasgow, where he remained for ten years. At the end of that time he began the work of organizing the Deposit Bank of Glasgow, and abandoned the practice of law in order to become cashier of that institution. He acted in that capacity in an acceptable manner for five years, and then resigned on account of his health. For a year or two thereafter he again engaged in the practice of law, and in 1885 he went to Garden City, Kansas, where he remained for two years. During that period he acted as cashier of the Bank of Western Kansas, and on the expiration of that period removed to La Junta, Colorado, where he was cashier of the Bank of Eastern Colorado. This later became a national bank, Mr. Dickey organizing it for that purpose. He continued its cashier for seven years, continuing the business under the name of the First National Bank. During his sojourn in the west his health was greatly improved, and in 1895 he returned to Kentucky, locating at Wickliffe, where he has since made his home. Here he became cashier of the Bank of Wickliffe and later of the Bank of Western Kentucky, and as these

banks went out of existence he joined others in the organization of the First National Bank, of which he has since been the cashier. During his career as a lawyer Mr. Dickey served for one term as county judge of Barren county, and for several years was special judge of the circuit court. As a representative of financial interests he has become widely known, both in the west and in Kentucky, and his business career has ever been such that it has gained for him the unqualified confidence and respect of those with whom he has been associated.

In 1855, in Barren county, Kentucky, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Dickey and Miss Jane Ritter, who died in La Junta, Colorado, in 1890, at the age of forty-five years, leaving two children: Ida, the wife of T. F. Doty, of Goldfield, Colorado; and Mollie, now the wife of W. G. Dickey, of Detroit, Michigan. In 1895 Judge Dickey was again married, his second union being with Mrs. Julia E. Ballentine, *nee* Ames. The Judge has always been a Democrat in his political affiliations, and has labored earnestly and effectively for the welfare and success of his party. In religious faith he is a Catholic.

His life has been one of continuous activity, in which has been accorded due recognition of labor. As a business man he has been conspicuous among his associates, not only for his success, but for his probity, fairness and honorable methods. His interests are thoroughly identified with those of Ballard county, and at all times he is ready to lend his aid and influence and give his co-operation to any movement calculated to benefit this section of the state or advance its wonderful development.

FIELDING L. TURNER.

In no profession is there a career more open to talent than that of the law, and in no field of endeavor is there demanded a more careful preparation, a more thorough appreciation of the absolute ethics of life, or of the underlying principles which form the basis of all human rights and privileges. Unflagging application and intuitive wisdom, and a determination to fully utilize the means at hand, are the concomitants which insure personal success in this great profession, which stands as the conservator of justice; and it is one which none should enter without due recognition of the obstacles to be overcome and the battles to be won, for success does not perch on the falchion of every person who enters the competitive fray, but comes only as the direct result of capability. Possessing all the requisite qualifications of the able lawyer, Fielding Lewis Turner has won an enviable position among the leading representatives of the bar at Wickliffe and Ballard county.

A native of Henderson, Kentucky, Mr. Turner was born on January 4, 1856, his parents being Henry Fielding and Lucinda (Slavens) Turner. The father was born in Fayette county, Kentucky, May 27, 1828, and was a son of Fielding Lewis and Mary (Sargent) Turner. The grandfather of our subject was born in Virginia, and when a boy was brought to Kentucky by his father. He was reared to manhood in Fayette county and in early life became a lawyer. Prior to his marriage he visited western Kentucky, making the journey on horseback. This was a prospecting tour, during which he purchased land from the heirs of Rogers Clark. Subsequently he became the owner of land formerly possessed by the Indians, securing large tracts in what be-

came Ballard and McCracken counties. In 1813 he proceeded southward to New Orleans, Louisiana, and there opened a law office, becoming prominent as a representative of the legal fraternity. After three years he was appointed judge of the circuit court. Previous to this time he had framed the first judicial system for the territory of Louisiana, executing this task in 1818. He was appointed circuit judge by Governor Sargent, whose daughter he subsequently married, and he filled the position from 1818 until 1826, in which year he returned to Fayette county, Kentucky, there spending his remaining days. He was survived by two sons and two daughters, namely: Oscar Turner, who was born in New Orleans, Louisiana; Henry Fielding, the father of our subject; Josephine Augusta, who became the wife of General John L. Mansfield, the founder of Mansfield, Illinois, but formerly a noted civil engineer, who laid out the city of Lexington, Kentucky; and Mary, who became the wife of John Marshall, of Louisville, and after his death married David Armstrong, a lawyer of New York city. Of this family, Henry Fielding Turner is the only one now living.

Oscar Turner was a youth of only fourteen years of age when his father located him on a large tract of land that he had purchased in Ballard county, lying about nine miles north of Wickliffe, in that section of the country now known as Hazelwood. His father took him down the Ohio river on a flatboat, carrying with him farming implements, provisions and slaves to operate the land. The following year the father died. Subsequently Oscar Turner returned to Lexington, and was graduated in Transylvania University, at Lexington. He then again went to his plantation in Ballard county, and while superintending his agricultural interests he also began the practice of law,

and soon afterward was made commonwealth's attorney. He was three times elected to Congress from the first congressional district of Kentucky, although his services in the council chambers of the nation were not consecutive. While he had firm faith in the Democracy, he was never guided by political rings or professional politicians. He formed his opinions independently after a close and earnest study of the questions, and voted as he believed would benefit the majority. He was extremely popular with the masses of people, and his appearance on the public platform was the occasion for tumultuous applause. At the bar he also attained distinction, being recognized as one of the most able representatives of the legal profession in the state. His last years were spent in the city of Louisville, where he died in 1897, at the age of seventy-two years. When past the age of thirty years he was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Eugenia Gardner, of Dresden, Tennessee, and to them were born three children: Henry, now deceased; Lillie, who is the wife of W. J. Abraham, of Louisville, Kentucky; and Oscar, who was a resident of Louisville and died in 1902, was also one of the distinguished residents of that part of the state, and represented the Louisville district in Congress.

Henry Fielding Turner was only eight years of age at the time of his father's death. He was educated in Lexington, Kentucky, attended Transylvania University, in which he was graduated on the completion of the law course, when about nineteen years of age. He has since practiced law, the legislature by special act permitting him to engage in practice on the completion of his collegiate course. He located in Lexington, and while there was united in marriage, on the 8th of May, 1850, to Miss Lucinda Slavens. After two years he removed to Henderson, Kentucky, where he has continued to reside throughout the

intervening period. For many years he enjoyed a most lucrative and important practice, but about eight years ago he put aside all professional duties, desiring to live retired from further labor. He has always been numbered with the ranks of the Democrats, but has never held or desired office. In 1870 he was a candidate for the appellate judgeship, but during the campaign withdrew from the race because of the trickery of an opponent, whom he denounced in an open letter. This action made him many friends and won for him the highest respect of all who became acquainted with him. He is one of the most distinguished attorneys of Kentucky, and his life has been crowned with a high degree of success, yet he is not less esteemed as a citizen than as a lawyer, and his kindly impulses and charming cordiality of manner have rendered him exceedingly popular among all classes. The favorable judgment which the world passed upon him in his early years has never been set aside, nor in any degree modified. It has, on the contrary, been emphasized by his careful conduct of important litigation, his candor and fairness in the presentation of cases, his zeal and earnestness as an advocate, and the generous commendation he has received from his contemporaries, who unite in bearing testimony as to his high character and superior mind. At the time that the legislature enabled him to become an active practitioner of the bar he was also made a Master Mason, and he is therefore the oldest Mason in Kentucky today of his age. His wife was born in Mercer county, Kentucky, in the city of Harrodsburg, in January, 1830, and they are now prominent residents of Henderson. Mrs. Turner was a daughter of Dr. Slavens, an able and well beloved physician of Harrodsburg, who was of Irish lineage. Her girlhood days were spent at her birthplace. She was educated in Lexington. She holds membership in the Episcopal church,

while Mr. Turner belongs to the Christian church. They were the parents of five children: Sophia, who died at the age of thirty-five years; Josephine, who is the widow of B. C. Allen and resides in Chicago, Illinois; Mary, the wife of W. W. Shelby, of Henderson, Kentucky; Fielding L.; and Lucy A., the wife of C. T. Blackwell, of Henderson.

Fielding Lewis Turner was reared and educated in Henderson, Kentucky. He also attended the Kentucky Military Institute at Frankfort, from which he was graduated in the class of 1874. He studied law under the direction of his father, and in 1877 was graduated on the completion of a law course in the Union University of Albany, New York. He then entered upon the practice of his chosen calling at Henderson, where he remained until 1886, when he removed to a farm in Ballard county. There he carried on agricultural pursuits for ten years, but in 1897 took up his abode in Wickliffe, and here resumed the practice of law. He has since enjoyed an important, lucrative and constantly increasing practice. While he was well grounded in the principles of common law when admitted to the bar, he has continued through the whole of his professional life a diligent student of these principles that constitute the basis of all legal success, and this knowledge has served him well in many a legal battle before the courts.

In 1877 was celebrated the marriage of Fielding L. Turner and Miss Eliza Dixon Marshall, of Henderson, in which place she was born and reared. Her father, W. J. Marshall, was a banker and capitalist of Henderson, and is now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Turner have been born three children: Henry F., who is police judge and attorney of Wickliffe; Lucy Marshall, wife of Wade Childress, of St.

Louis, Missouri; and Sophia E. Mr. and Mrs. Turner occupy an enviable and prominent position in social circles, the hospitality of the best homes of Wickliffe being freely extended to them. Mr. Turner is a Democrat in his political affiliations, and fraternally is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Masons. He has attained the Knight Templar degree in the latter organization, and is popular with his brethren of the craft. Both he and his wife are identified with church work, he being a member of the Episcopal church, while her membership is with the Presbyterian denomination. To see him in his office, alert, enterprising and watchful, one would think him all business, but his friends—and they are many—know him to be a most genial and companionable gentleman, who richly enjoys the pleasures and beauties of life.

EDWARD GARRETT.

Edward Garrett, cashier of the First National Bank, of Princeton, Kentucky, was born on his father's farm, six miles south of Princeton, March 20, 1865. Samuel Garrett, his father, was a native of Belfast, Ireland, whence he emigrated, at the age of thirty-five years, to America and located in Caldwell county, Kentucky, on a tract of land a few miles south of Princeton. Not long after his arrival here he married Miss Nina Freeman, a native of Lyon county, Kentucky, and a daughter of Washington Freeman, their marriage occurring in Caldwell county. Six children were born to them, three sons and three daughters. Here Samuel Garrett lived and labored for many years. He landed in Kentucky without a dollar, and when he died, at the ripe

old age of seventy-three years, he was worth no less than a hundred thousand dollars, all the result of his own honest industry and good management. He accumulated land to the extent of five hundred acres, which he cultivated and improved, and as the years passed by he made many profitable investments in various lines of business, showing his keen foresight and his good judgment. He had extensive dealings in the stock business and as a tobacco buyer, was a stockholder in the First National Bank of Princeton, was interested in the building of the Illinois Central Railroad through Caldwell county, etc. Politically he was a stanch Republican. He was enterprising and public-spirited, and was as highly respected as he was well known throughout the county in which he lived. His widow and six children survive him.

Edward Garrett was the second son and second child in his father's family. He was reared on the farm and educated in the Princeton schools. At the age of eighteen he began his business career as clerk in the First National Bank of Princeton, in which capacity he served five years. He was then promoted to the position he now occupies, that of cashier, and which he has filled for ten years. He is now one of the stockholders of the bank. This institution was organized in 1883, with Mr. R. B. Ratliff as president, which office he continues to hold to the present.

Like his father, Mr. Garrett is an ardent Republican, and takes an active interest in public affairs, in a local way. For two years he was a member of the city council of Princeton, and in 1901 was honored with election to the office of mayor of the town for a term of four years. Mr. Garrett is prominent and well posted in Odd Fellowship. He received the degree of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows some years ago, and has passed all the chairs in the order.

SINGLETON HODGE.

To Singleton Hodge belongs the distinction of being the oldest practicing attorney at the bar in Princeton, Kentucky. Mr. Hodge is a native of Kentucky. He was born in Livingston county, June 22, 1834. Paton R. Hodge, his father, was born in North Carolina in 1799, and in 1806, at the age of seven years, was brought to Kentucky by his parents, their settlement being in Livingston county, where he was reared. Livingston county was then composed of what is now Caldwell, Crittenden and Lyon counties. Here Paton R. Hodge passed his life as a farmer. He married Miss Sally Owen, daughter of Major David Owen, who was an officer in the war of 1812, and a prominent man in Kentucky in his day. Mr. Hodge died at the age of sixty-five years, and his wife was fifty-eight or fifty-nine when she died. They were the parents of eleven children. Of this number five sons and three daughters grew to adult age and are still living, occupying useful positions in life.

Singleton Hodge is the sixth in order of birth in his father's family. He was reared to farm life, receiving his education in the common schools and the academy at Salem. In 1851 he went to Marion, the county seat of Crittenden county, where he received the appointment of deputy clerk of the circuit court. This position he filled five years, at the end of which time, in 1856, he was elected clerk of the court for a term of six years, and rendered efficient and most acceptable service in that official capacity. In the meantime, during his leisure moments he studied law, was admitted to the bar in August, 1862, and at the close of his term of office he engaged in the practice of law. He remained in Marion until 1893, when he removed to Princeton. Mr. Hodge

has been actively engaged in the practice of law for over forty years, and during that time has been identified with many prominent cases. In his practice at Princeton he now has as his partner his son, Singleton D., a bright young lawyer.

Mr. Hodge was married in March, 1856, to Miss Kittie D. Coleman, daughter of Henry R. D. Coleman. She was born in Crittenden county, Kentucky, February 3, 1840. They are the parents of eight children, of whom five are living, namely: Henry A.; Sue A., widow of Rev. R. H. Adams; Sally, wife of John A. Flanary; Nannie E., wife of H. C. Moore; and Singleton D., who is in business with his father.

Politically Mr. Hodge is a Democrat. His first presidential vote was cast for Buchanan in 1856, and from that time to the present his support has been given to the Democratic party. In addition to filling the office of clerk, above referred to, Mr. Hodge served one term of four years, 1866 to 1870, as county attorney of Crittenden county, and he was four years county school commissioner. As a member of the school board his influence was directed in a way that aided materially in advancing the interests of the public schools. Mr. Hodge has been a member of the Masonic order since 1855. His religious creed is that of the Baptist church, of which he is a worthy member.

R. M. POOL.

R. M. Pool, assistant cashier of the First National Bank of Princeton, Kentucky, was born in Caldwell county, January 11, 1872. Mr. Pool belongs to one of the pioneer families of Kentucky. His paternal great-grandparents were of German and Irish descent, and among the

early settlers of Christian county, having settled there about the year 1804-5.

Their son, T. B. Pool, was born in North Carolina in 1801. In Christian county he was reared and educated, practiced medicine for many years and also carried on agricultural pursuits, owning a large tract of land; with the early history of this part of Kentucky, Dr. Pool was actively identified, having a large practice that extended over many miles of territory. He lived to the advanced age of eighty-two years, respected by all who knew him.

His son, J. M. Pool, the father of the subject of our sketch, was born in Christian county in 1825, commenced life as a farmer in Christian county, where he lived until 1853, at which time he moved to Caldwell county and purchased a farm about two and a half miles east of Princeton, where he resided until 1877, when he was elected jailer, which office he held until 1897; then he retired on account of age.

J. M. Pool enlisted in the Confederate army early in 1861, and served valiantly until the close of the war. He served as a cavalryman under Generals Breckenridge, Bragg, Morgan (being with the latter during his raid through Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia), and under the brilliant cavalry leader, General Forrest, served gallantly. He participated in the battles of Fort Donelson, Chickamauga, Bull's Gap, Shiloh, Corinth, Iuca and many others.

His first marriage took place December 12, 1844, to Eliza Jane Nix, daughter of Lebanon Nix, and by her he had six children, viz.: William T.; Mary Frances (wife of M. Clark); Sarah Jane (wife of L. B. Allison); T. B.; James T.; and Caldora (deceased).

Mrs. William Pool was born in 1827 and died in 1855. July 1, 1858, Mr. Pool married Mary F. Stephens, of Caldwell county. Eight children have been born to this marriage, viz.: Mildred A. (wife of W. S. Allison, of Princeton, Kentucky); Monroe (deceased); Jonathan S., resident of Arkansas, and engaged in railroad business; an infant, deceased; Louella (wife of W. C. Robinson, of Arkansas); R. M. Pool, the subject of our sketch; and Bettie (deceased). J. M. Pool died in Princeton, March 1, 1902, and his wife is still living.

R. M. Pool was reared and educated in Princeton, and commenced his business career here as deputy clerk of the circuit court in 1889, which position he filled four years. In 1894 he accepted the position of draft clerk in the First National Bank. Here his prompt and careful work brought him into favor with the management of the bank, and soon gained for him promotion to bookkeeper for the bank, and in this capacity he established a reputation not surpassed in the state, and in 1901 he was elected assistant cashier, which place he now holds. He is a member of the board of trustees of the graded schools of Princeton, secretary and treasurer of the Princeton Mineral Company.

He is identified with the Masonic order, having membership in Clinton Lodge No. 82, A. F. and A. M., and also belongs to Madisonville Commandery of Knights Templar. Politically Mr. Pool is a Democrat, and religiously a Universalist. Both in social and business circles Mr. Pool stands high. Mr. Pool was married October 11, 1898, to Miss Jessie Ward Grubbs, daughter of F. L. Grubbs, of Princeton. Mrs. Pool was born and reared in Princeton, and is a graduate of the class of 1897 of the Princeton Collegiate Institute, having taken the honors of her class. They have one son, James Monroe, named in honor of his grandfather.

JOHN HAYWOOD LOVELACE.

John Haywood Lovelace, of Bardwell, was born at the home of an uncle in McCracken county, Kentucky, October 10, 1840, and is a son of Andrew and Eleanor (Ashley) Lovelace. Both father and mother were born in Butler county, the former in 1812, and both died in Lovelaceville, Kentucky. The paternal grandfather was Andrew Lovelace, and the maiden name of his wife was Miss Holman, and they came from North Carolina to Kentucky, settling in Butler county, but in 1824 came to Ballard county and settled on the land which is the present site of Lovelaceville, the town having been named for Andrew Lovelace. His occupation was that of a farmer, and he died aged eighty-six years. He was captain of militia and a very prominent man. Andrew became the father of the following children: Nancy, Becca, Archibald, Elias, Isaac, William, Andrew, all deceased.

Andrew Lovelace, Jr., father of our subject, was a farmer, and he and his wife, Eleanor Ashley, had children as follows: Virgil Steward, a resident of Lovelaceville; Martha Jane, widow of B. F. Hayworth, of Bardwell; John; James Madison, deceased; Freeman B., deceased; Mollie Elizabeth, who married Dr. J. H. Elsey, of Bardwell; Isabelle Elizabeth, who married J. B. S. Hutson, of Carlisle county; Victoria, who married D. B. Henderson; and William A., deceased. In politics the father was a Whig, and later a Democrat, while in religion he was a Methodist and his wife a Baptist.

John Haywood Lovelace was reared in Ballard county and received a limited education. The greater portion of his life has been spent in farming, but at present he is also interested in the Carlisle Manufacturing Company, lumber dealers. He has been interested in this

concern for the past six years, and has borne his part in its development. Mr. Lovelace resides on a farm near Bardwell, and for thirty years has resided and farmed in the vicinity of that place.

In 1870 he married Margaret N. Hayworth, born in Carlisle county, Kentucky. She has borne him the following children: Reginald B., Flora M., Myrtle, Roger Williams, Virgil Johnson, William Jordan, Eliza, all living, and three who died in infancy. In politics Mr. Lovelace is a Democrat. In religion he and his wife are Baptists and take an active part in the good work of the church. Fraternally he is a Mason. Both he and his wife began life poor, but now they have amassed a competency, and are numbered among the substantial, reliable people of their locality.

HUNTER WOOD.

Hunter Wood of Hopkinsville, was born in Albemarle county, Virginia, on the 2d of November, 1845, and is one of the adopted sons of Kentucky who has attained prominence at the bar. The family is of Welsh origin, and was founded in America long prior to the war of the Revolution. The grandfather, Colonel Thomas Wood, was an officer in the war of 1812. The father, Dr. Alfred C. Wood, was educated in the University of Virginia, and became a prominent practicing physician. He married Martha Walker Rogers, of Albemarle county, Virginia, a descendant of Dr. Thomas Walker, the first white man who ever came to Kentucky, the year of his visit to the state being 1754.

Hunter Wood, of this review, was graduated at the Virginia Military Institute, of Lexington, Virginia, in 1864, and the same year en-

tered the Confederate army, serving with a company of cadets and participating in the battle of Newmarket, Virginia, where the company suffered very severely. After the surrender of General Lee he was paroled, in May, 1865. Upon his return home he resumed his studies and entered the University of Virginia at Charlotteville, Albemarle county, as a student in the law department, and was there admitted to the bar in 1867.

Immediately afterward Mr. Wood removed to Hopkinsville, Kentucky, where he has since engaged in the prosecution of his chosen calling with that excellent success that demonstrates his ability and masterful handling of the interests entrusted to his care. He was elected county attorney in 1870 for a term of four years, and in 1874 was elected commonwealth's attorney for a six years' term. He was master commissioner at different intervals in the Christian county circuit court in the third judicial district between the years 1870 and 1894, holding the office altogether for ten years. He filled the position of United States collector of internal revenue for four years, from July 1, 1885, to July 1, 1889, under President Cleveland's first administration; and though maintaining his residence in Hopkinsville during that time, conducted his office in Owensboro. He is a Democrat in political sentiment, and was a delegate to the national convention of his party in 1884. He has several times been a member of the Democratic state central committee and the county central committee, and has been very active in promoting the interests of the Democracy, the principles of which he so warmly endorses.

Mr. Wood's standing as a lawyer is such that his name is enrolled among those whose powers have won for Kentucky its high reputation on account of the brilliance of its bar. He practices both in the civil

and criminal courts and has been counsel in many of the leading cases that have come up for trial in this section of the state, among which are the following: The Ohio Valley Railroad Company versus Christian county, testing the validity of a tax levy in behalf of the same road; John Boyd versus B. E. Randolph, auditor's agent; C. M. Brown versus the commonwealth, seeking to collect taxes withheld by the sheriff in his capacity as county collector; the city of Hopkinsville et al. versus George O. Thompson et al., concerning the validity of the water works contract under the new constitution; E. P. Campbell versus F. W. Dabney; C. M. Brown et al. versus R. H. Holland, testing the application of the ward system in cities of the fourth class under the constitution of 1890; William Cowan versus John P. Prausse, a contested election case in the election of county clerk. Mr. Wood has made a specialty of corporation law, and is well versed on the intrinsic problems in this branch of jurisprudence. He is now attorney for the following extensive corporations: The Ohio Valley Railroad Company; the Cumberland Telephone Company; the Hopkinsville Water Company; the Hopkinsville Electric Light Company, and the Hopkinsville Hotel Company.

On the 16th of December, 1868, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Wood and Miss Rosalie Nelson Green, of Christian county, daughter of John R. Green, a farmer, and a granddaughter of Thomas Green, whose father, Robert Green, was an officer in the Revolutionary war and a member of the Society of Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Wood have five children: Alfred Walker, of *Kentucky New Era;* Elizabeth N., wife of J. R. Barr, son of Judge J. W. Barr, of the United States district court; Hunter, who is attending the Lebanon Law School; Grace; and Hugh Nelson. Mr. Wood is an active and leading member of the

Protestant Episcopal church, in which he has served as vestryman for twenty-five years. He is a Knight Templar Mason, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Knights of Pythias and Knights of Honor fraternities. He is a man of wonderful energy and executive ability, and undertakes any enterprise with an enthusiasm that brings success. His capacity for work is very large, and to this may greatly be attributed his enviable career at the bar. He readily makes friends, and has the happy faculty of drawing them closer to him as the years roll by, while his strong personal influence is felt by all with whom he comes in contact.

SUMNER MARBLE.

Sumner Marble was born near Northampton, Hampshire county, Massachusetts, January 20, 1816, and died in Princeton, Kentucky, on the 28th of May, 1881. He belonged to one of the oldest families in the Bay state, his ancestors locating in the Massachusetts colony at a period long antedating the Revolution.

Mr. Marble was engaged in school teaching in New Jersey, and in 1837 came to Kentucky, where he followed the same profession near New Castle. Later he began reading law, and was admitted to the bar at New Castle, after which he removed to Salem, then the county seat of Livingston county, where he remained until the organization of Crittenden county, when he opened an office in the newly established seat of justice there, Marion. He became the first county attorney of the new county, and his name is inseparably connected with the early jurisprudence in that locality. In 1849 he was elected to represent his county in the state legislature. He never sought office, but his abilities

were recognized by his fellow-townsmen, and by them he was elected to office, where he served with the utmost fidelity to the trust reposed in him. In 1852 he removed to Princeton, the county seat of Caldwell county, and was a valued member of the bar at that point until 1858, when he changed his place of residence to Chicago. There he was engaged in the prosecution of his chosen profession until August, 1863, and was regarded as one of the ablest members of the bar of that city; and there he was an intimate friend of Henry H. Honore, Judge Tuley, now one of the most celebrated jurists of that city, and Judge Frank Adams, who was a frequent visitor in his office. In Chicago he was an authority on all matters pertaining to the legal questions arising from street assessments and special taxation cases. He was recalled to Paducah to protect the interests of an old client, Mr. Findlay, in a case involving the disposal of one hundred thousand dollars. He soon regained a large and important clientage, and, though known as a general practitioner, his business was mostly in civil cases, and came from a territory embraced within Lyon, Caldwell, Livingston and Crittenden counties. He also practiced in the court of appeals, and in the United States courts, where he met some of the most brilliant and formidable members of the Kentucky bar, and in forensic combat often won the victor's laurels. His contemporaries were George W. Barbour, afterward governor of Utah; Livingston Lindsay, who removed to Texas and became judge of the supreme court of that state; Robert Patterson, a brilliant lawyer, who served both in the house and senate of the legislature; Renzin H. Davidge, of the "new court of appeals"; Captain C. T. Allen, who was a member of the constitutional convention of Kentucky in 1890, and is now in Mexico, Missouri.

In 1875 Mr. Marble was elected to the state senate from his district,

comprising four counties, and served for a term of four years. He was on the committee on revision of the code of practice, and there made some radical changes, leaving the impress of his talent and individuality upon the legislation of the state. He introduced into the senate a bill providing for the reception of the evidence of persons accused of crime on their own behalf, and spoke strongly in favor of the measure, which, although not adopted at the time, has since become one of the laws of the state. His political support was given the Whig party in early life, and in 1860 he supported Bell for the presidency. He believed in the constitutional rights of the state to secede, and after the war he affiliated with the Democracy up to the time of his death. He held membership with no religious denomination, but was a firm believer in the truths of Christianity, and his life was an exemplification of all the underlying principles thereof. He was thoroughly versed in the science of jurisprudence, and in the court room had that ease and freedom from anxiety which betokened thorough preparation and mastery of his case in every detail.

Mr. Marble was married at "Old Salem" in 1844 to Miss Eliza Jane Watts, daughter of William Watts, who died during her infancy. She was reared in the home of David Watts, a man of large fortune and wide mercantile experience, a member of the well-known firm of Watts, Givens & Company, and afterward of Watts, Crane & Company, of Paducah and New York, handling cotton and tobacco as brokers and factors. Mrs. Marble died April 5, 1865, leaving one son, William Marble, who was for some years his father's partner in the law business.

WILLIAM ROBERT HAZELWOOD.

William Robert Hazelwood, of Bardwell, Kentucky, was born in McCracken county, this state, at Woodville, August 6, 1870, and is a son of Smith Y. and Susan C. (Bromley) Hazelwood, both born in Christian county, Kentucky. The father was born about 1837 and died at Bardwell in 1889, and was a son of Robert and Susan (Wright) Hazelwood. He was a carpenter by trade, and moved from Woodville to Bardwell in 1888. In politics he was a Democrat, while in religion he was a Cumberland Presbyterian, as was his wife.

William R. Hazelwood was reared in Woodville and Paducah. He was educated at Woodville and at La Porte, Indiana, and is one of the leading men of Bardwell. On February 6, 1895, he married Bessie T. Roberts, a daughter of the late J. F. Roberts, of Bardwell. For the past four years our subject has been chairman of the Carlisle county Democratic central committee. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias.

GEORGE WILLIAM PAYNE, M. D.

George William Payne, M. D., of Bardwell, Kentucky, was born on a farm near Bardwell, January 21, 1874, and is a son of William J. and Mary (Ramsey) Payne, the former of whom was born near Nashville, Tennessee, August 16, 1841, a son of Joseph Payne, a pioneer settler of what is now Carlisle county, Kentucky. By occupation William J. Payne was a farmer until 1882, when he moved to Bardwell, and was in the livery business about twelve years. Since then he has resided in Bardwell and looked after his farming interests. In

politics he is a stanch Democrat. Both he and his wife are members of the Missionary Baptist church. They have two living children and one who died in infancy, while another, David Lee Payne, died aged thirty-nine years, and a daughter, Thressa, died at the age of twenty-one years. The living ones are: James Henry, of Arlington, Kentucky, operating his farm, but formerly a traveling salesman for twelve years; and George William.

Dr. Payne was reared in Bardwell and here educated. In 1896 and 1897 he took a course in medicine at Vanderbilt University, at Nashville, Tennessee, and from there he went to the Missouri Medical College at St. Louis, from which he was gradated in 1899. Since then he has been successfully engaged in the practice of his profession at Bardwell. He is a member of the Carlisle County Medical Society, of which he is president, and he is also a member of the Kentucky State Medical Association, the American Medical Association, and fraternally is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In politics he is a stanch Democrat. His religious affiliations are with the Baptist church. In 1902 he married Miss Alda B. Moore, a daughter of the Rev. A. C. Moore.

JESSE L. ELSEY.

Jesse Lewis Elsey is a prominent farmer and stock-raiser of Carlisle county, making his home near Bardwell. He was born in this county on the 5th of May, 1854, and is a son of John Montague Elsey, of whom mention is made on another page of this work in connection with the sketch of his brother, Dr. J. H. Elsey.

Jesse L. Elsey was reared upon the home farm, and was educated in Clinton College, at Clinton, Kentucky. At the age of nineteen he

secured a certificate and began teaching in the public schools, which profession he followed with success for three years, being recognized as a capable educator. He then turned his attention to farming, and in his work as an agriculturist has been very successful. He has not only engaged in the tilling of the soil, cultivating the crops best adapted to this section of the state, but has also raised considerable live stock, dealing quite extensively in the same. This branch of his business has proved very profitable, and he is widely known as a raiser and dealer in stock. He is now the owner of two excellent tracts of land in Carlisle county, one of forty acres near Bardwell, on which he resides, and another of one hundred acres. All is well improved, and the neat and thrifty appearance of his farms indicate his careful supervision and progressive methods.

Mr. Elsey certainly deserves marked credit for what he has accomplished, for though he began life a poor man, by his industry, frugality and capable management, he has succeeded. In matters of citizenship he is progressive and public-spirited, and has given his support to the Democracy. Socially he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist church.

Mr. Elsey has been twice married. In 1880 he wedded Miss Callie B. Reed, who died about ten years later, leaving two children: Cornelia and Jesse L. Mrs. Elsey was born in Carlisle county, and passed away at the age of thirty years. Her father was Joseph Reed, and was one of the pioneer settlers of this locality. In 1891 Mr. Elsey was again married, his second union being with Jennie Davidson, who was born in McCracken county, Kentucky, and by this marriage there is one daughter, Eulalia.

It will be interesting in this connection to note something of the history of Mrs. Elsey's family, which is one of prominence in Kentucky. Her father, Thomas C. Davidson, was born in Todd county, this state, on the 17th of July, 1825, a son of Charlton B. and Sallie M. (Barksdale) Davidson, both of whom were natives of Virginia, while the grandfather of Thomas C. Davidson was William Davidson, who for some time made his home in the Old Dominion. William Davidson, emigrating westward, passed up the Cumberland river and reached the present city of Nashville, Tennessee. There he camped and made some prospecting trips into the surrounding country. It is said that he was the first white man to make any definite stay in that vicinity, if not the first to visit the locality, and it was in his honor that Davidson county, Tennessee, was named. Charlton B. Davidson removed from Virginia to Todd county, Kentucky, in the early twenties, and afterward took up his abode in Stewart county, Tennessee. In March, 1835, he became a resident of Graves county, Kentucky, and on the 26th of December, 1836, established his home in McCracken county, Kentucky, where he spent his remaining days, his death occurring in 1842, when he was fifty years of age. His wife survived him for many years, and passed away in Carlisle county, in 1866, at the age of sixty-six years. She was a daughter of Major Daniel S. Barksdale, a native of Virginia, and also one of the early settlers of Todd county, Kentucky. He also lived at Smithland, Kentucky, and was a trapper along the Cumberland river, following that pursuit from its mouth up the stream as far as Nashville, Tennessee.

Thomas C. Davidson accompanied his parents to McCracken county in 1836, and in that county has since made his home, following farming. He enlisted in the United States army as a teamster in 1847,

and served in the Mexican war from that time until the close of hostilities. In 1849 he married Miss Frances A. Miller, a native of Kentucky, born in Marshall county on the 23d of December, 1829. Her death occurred in McCracken county, this state, in 1877. By her marriage she became the mother of nine children, of whom six grew to mature years, while two sons and two daughters are yet living. Mr. Davidson is a stalwart Democrat, and is a member of Plain City Lodge No. 449, F. & A. M., of Paducah county. His life has ever been an honorable, active and upright one, and by all who know him he is held in high esteem.

JOHN LEWIS BONE.

John Lewis Bone, a very prosperous and prominent farmer of Hickman county, was born in this county, March 27, 1836, and is a son of Benjamin and Malinda (Phebus) Bone, the former a native of North Carolina and the latter of Georgia. The paternal grandfather was John Bone, a Revolutionary soldier, who served for seven years. In 1825 John Bone came to Kentucky from Tennessee, to which state he removed from North Carolina, his native state.

Benjamin Bone was a farmer and removed to Hickman county, Kentucky, with his wife and one son. He was one of the brushbreakers of the county, and extremely poor, but by hard work and thrift he became in time one of the leading farmers of the county and owned three hundred and forty acres of land and several slaves. In politics he was a Democrat and a faithful member of the Methodist church, being very devout in his manner of living. His death occurred when he was about forty-seven years of age. His wife survived him some twenty-five years, dying when seventy-four years of age. To this worthy

couple were born the following children: William, deceased; Mary E., deceased; John Lewis; James W., deceased; Peter, deceased.

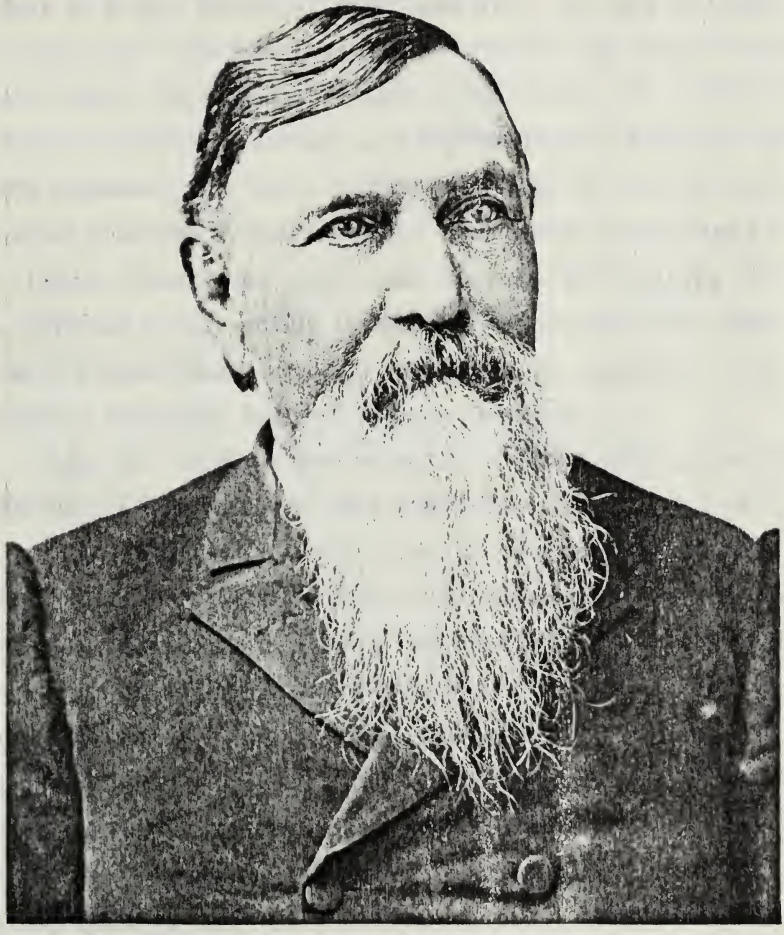
John Lewis Bone was reared and educated in Hickman county, attending the country schools. His father gave him eighty acres of raw land, which he successfully developed, added to it, and now owns two hundred and eighty-five acres of well-improved land. In politics he is a Democrat. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist church. Fraternally he is a Master Mason.

In October, 1859, he was married in Hickman county to Sarah F. Ward, who was born in this county, and died here July 10, 1898. Five children were born to them, namely: James H., born May 27, 1861, and died October 23, 1899; Luella, born January 7, 1863; Annie B., born February 20, 1865; Henry E., born March 3, 1867; Callie D., born November 27, 1869. The success which has attended the efforts of Mr. Bone has been gained through his own hard work and excellent management, and he is justly regarded as a leading representative of the best farming interests of the community.

MAJOR JOHN W. BREATHITT.

Major John W. Breathitt, postmaster of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, was born in the town in which he lives, January 9, 1825, and here his long life of activity and usefulness has been passed.

Major Breathitt belongs to one of the pioneer families of Kentucky. The name Breathitt is honorably linked with Kentucky history. John Breathitt, an uncle of the major, was governor of Kentucky in 1833, and Breathitt county was named in honor of him. The Breathitts are of German and Scotch origin, and Virginia was their primitive



John W. Breathitt

home in this country. William Breathitt, the grandfather of our subject, was born in Virginia and in early life emigrated with his family to Kentucky, settling in Logan county, where he improved a farm and where he passed his life as an agriculturist. He died in Logan county at a ripe age. His son, Hon. James Breathitt, the Major's father, was quite young when he was brought to this state. He studied law and became a prominent attorney in Christian county, where he located in early manhood, and where he died at the age of forty-five years. He married Elizabeth S. Short, a native of Christian county and a daughter of Peyton Short, who came from Virginia to Kentucky and settled in Christian county among its pioneers. Two sons were born of this union, Peyton Short Breathitt and John W. Breathitt. The former became a physician, but died in early manhood.

John W. Breathitt was educated in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and Gambier (Ohio) College, with a finishing course in law at Augusta, Kentucky. For a number of years he was engaged in farming. In 1874 he was elected county clerk, which office he filled continuously for a period of sixteen years, having been re-elected. He was next elected county judge, an office he filled three years. Under President Harrison's administration he was appointed postmaster of Hopkinsville, was re-appointed by President McKinley, and is still the incumbent of the office. His long public service in Christian county, where he has spent his whole life, has gained for Major Breathitt a large acquaintance, and it may be truly said that there are few men in the county, if, indeed, there are any, who are held in higher esteem by the people generally than he. And further, it may be said, those who know him best esteem him most highly.

During the Civil war Major Breathitt was captain of Company

A, Third Kentucky Cavalry, and was appointed major of the Third Kentucky Cavalry, First Battalion; and served in the defense of the Union throughout the war in the Army of the Cumberland.

He was married in November, 1847, to Catherine A. Webber, a native of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and a daughter of Dr. A. Webber, one of the prominent physicians of the town. They became the parents of nine children, namely: Peyton Short; Augustine, assistant postmaster of Hopkinsville; Harvie, an attorney at Hopkinsville; Judge James, an attorney and a representative in the state legislature from Christian county; John W., deceased; Elizabeth S.; Caroline, wife of Robert S. Green; Catharine A., wife of M. F. Griffin; and Fannie, who died in infancy.

AUGUSTINE BREATHITT.

Augustine Breathitt, assistant postmaster of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, is deserving of rank with the most patriotic citizens of his locality. He has a war record that includes service in two wars. A son of Major John W. Breathitt, Augustine Breathitt was born in Hopkinsville, October 8, 1849, and here spent his boyhood days, receiving his education in the public schools. He was in his early teens when the Civil war was inaugurated. His eagerness for soldier life and his ambition to serve his country could not be restrained, and in October, 1863, at the age of fifteen, he entered the army, enlisting as a member of Company E, Seventeenth Kentucky Cavalry, U. S. A., of which he was first orderly sergeant. He shared the fortunes of his company for a period of thirteen months, until the close of the war, and during that time saw much hard service. At the close of the war he was honorably discharged, and was mustered out at Louisville. At the opening of the

Spanish-American war, he again tendered his services to his country, enlisting April 8, as a member of Company E, Third Kentucky Infantry, of which he was made corporal. He was in this service eighteen months. The war over, he received an honorable discharge at Columbus, Georgia, and returned to his home in Hopkinsville.

At the close of the Civil war, young Breathitt became a clerk in a dry-goods store in his native town, and was thus occupied for two years, at the end of which time he turned his attention to general farming and continued the same until 1876. That year he was appointed deputy sheriff, a position he filled eight years. He served a number of years as deputy in the county clerk's office, in the office of county judge and also in the postoffice, and was two years in government employ, as storekeeper. He is now deputy postmaster under his father, biographical mention of whom will be found on another page of this work.

Mr. Breathitt is a Knight of Pythias, having membership in Lodge No. 38, Hopkinsville, and he is identified with the Grand Army of the Republic and the Baptist church.

ELDER KENDRICK MONROE MYATT.

Elder Kendrick Monroe Myatt, one of the most favorably known residents of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in Dickson county, Tennessee, December 29, 1838. He is a son of Andrew J. and Permelia E. (O'Kelly) Myatt. His father was of Scotch-Irish descent and his mother of Irish descent. His paternal grandfather was Kendrick Myatt, a son of John Myatt, a Revolutionary soldier, and a participant in the battle of Bunker Hill. John Myatt emigrated to America from Scotland, when a youth. Our subject's maternal grandfather was

James O'Kelly, a son of James P. O'Kelly, who had the distinction of being the founder of the Protestant Methodist church of America.

Andrew J. Myatt was a farmer by occupation, and moved from North Carolina, his birthplace, to Tennessee, when a young man. In politics he was first a Whig, and subsequently a Democrat. In religious belief he was a Primitive Baptist. Fraternally he was a Master Mason. He departed this life at the age of sixty-four years, in the state of Tennessee. His wife survived him some seven or eight years, dying at the age of sixty-eight. There were seven children in the family, as follows: Kndrick Monroe; James F.; Bettie; John O.; Rebecca P.; Mary C., deceased; Sarah J., deceased.

Elder Kendrick Monroe Myatt was reared and educated in Tennessee, attending first the public schools and later Charlotte Academy. In politics he is a Democrat, but has never sought office. His religious training and belief have rendered him a Primitive Baptist. For more than twenty-five years Elder Myatt has preached the gospel.

During the Civil war he was in active service in the Confederate army, enlisting in September, 1861, and he took part in the battle at Fort Donelson. He served until the close of the war and then returned to civil duties in life. Fraternally he is a Master Mason, and is a devout and earnest Christian.

On November 3, 1858, he was married, in Tennessee, to Eliza J. Slayton, who was born in Tennessee, December 1, 1840. To this marriage seven children have been born, namely: Jackson E., who died at the age of thirty-nine years; James M., aged forty-one years; Josephine, who died at the age of three years; Emma C., now Mrs. T. C. Samuel; Ada E., who died at the age of eighteen months; Love P., now Mrs. Robert Samuel; John T., who died at the age of ten months.

Mr. Myatt is very deeply beloved by his people and has brought countless numbers into the Kingdom of God through his eloquence as a preacher of the gospel and by reason of his righteous life. Although well advanced in years, he is a very powerful speaker, and sways his audience to a conviction of the sinfulness of man and the mercy of God. Much effective work has he done for the Master. His has been a useful life, and his record is spotless. His acquaintance is extensive, and his friends are co-extensive with his acquaintances.

WILLIAM MARBLE.

William Marble was born in Marion, Crittenden county, Kentucky, September 8, 1848. During his early childhood he accompanied his parents to Chicago and attended its public schools from 1858 to 1864. He was also instructed by Mr. Ballentine, a private tutor. He read law in the office of his father from October, 1865 until May, 1868, at which time he obtained a license to practice, having secured by special act of the legislature permission to be examined for the bar, as he was not then twenty years of age. Upon his admission he entered into partnership with his father, a relation which was maintained up to the time of the latter's death. When only twenty-one years of age he served as city judge, and for eight years he has filled the office of county attorney. He appears in most of the important cases in the county and in many of those of the fourth judicial circuit. He formerly resided at Princeton, but is now in Paducah, where he engaged in both civil and criminal law practice with William D. Greer.

On the 18th of February, 1885, Mr. Marble was married to Miss Anna Henry, a daughter of C. B. and Angeline (Peters) Henry. Her

mother was descended from one of the old Pennsylvania families of Quaker stock and was a sister of B. J. Peters, chief justice, for many years on the court of appeals of Kentucky. Mr. Marble is a Democrat, but takes no active part in political affairs.

JOHN EWIN KANE.

John Ewin Kane, attorney-at-law at Bardwell, Kentucky, was born at Bowling Green, Warren county, Kentucky, March 28, 1858, son of James and Elizabeth (Kirby) Kane. The father was born in Ireland, but after he reached manhood came to America and located in Warren county, Kentucky, married Elizabeth Kirby, who was born near Bowling Green. He engaged in farming and was fairly successful. Ten children were born to these parents, nine of whom are living. The father was a stanch Democrat.

John E. Kane was reared on the farm, and educated in the county schools until he was twenty-one. He then taught school one term and attended Clinton College, from which he was graduated in 1885. Mr. Kane was then appointed sergeant-at-arms of the superior court of Kentucky, and held the position five years, and during that time studied law, being admitted to the bar in Carlisle county in 1886, although he did not begin practice until 1890, since which date he has made his home in Bardwell. In the same year he was elected county attorney and served four years and a few months. He is a Democrat and very active in his party. In November, 1897, he formed a partnership with M. T. Shelbourne under the firm name of Shelbourne & Kane, which firm is regarded as one of the strongest law firms in western Kentucky.

IGNATIUS A. SPALDING.

Ignatius A. Spalding, of Morganfield, has been a member of this place for a long period and has been identified with the interests of the city from his infancy, for his entire life has here been passed. He was born on the 3rd of December, 1833, a son of Ignatius A. and Ann (Huston) Spalding. His father was born in St. Mary's county, Maryland, in 1790, and his business career was devoted to agricultural pursuits and merchandising. He came to Kentucky with his parents at the age of three years, the family first locating in Washington county. His wife was the daughter of William Huston, a lieutenant of Captain Barnett's company of Colonel Washington's battalion, which was attached to the commands of Generals Greene and Morgan, in the war of the Revolution.

Mr. Spalding, of this review, was educated in the schools of Union county and at St. Joseph's College, of Bardstown, Kentucky. He was admitted to practice in 1860, and almost from the beginning has held marked precedence among the members of the bar of Union county, retaining a clientele of so representative a character as alone to stand in evidence of his professional ability and personal popularity. His practice has been general, embracing every department of the law, and he has been retained as counsel in nearly every case of importance that has been heard in the courts of this section of the state. In one particular his record is probably unparalleled: Throughout his long career he has always succeeded in averting extreme penalties by his defense in criminal suits, life imprisonment or the death sentence never being inflicted upon one of his clients. He is an earnest and eloquent speaker, whose fervid utterances have the ring of truth and honest convictions, swaying the

minds of the hearers, as with pathos, humor or logic he plays upon their emotions.

Whatever else may be said of the legal fraternity, it cannot be denied that members of the bar have been more prominent actors in public affairs than any other class of the community. This is but the natural result of causes which are manifest and require no explanation. The ability and training which qualify one to practice law also qualify him in many respects for that which lies outside the strict path of his profession, and which touch the general interests of society. Mr. Spalding has been an active factor in the political and public life of the county and has largely aided in shaping the policy of the state. He has been called to many offices of honor and trust, served as a member of the board of commissioners that erected the beautiful and substantial court house of Union county and was the sole commissioner authorized to plan and erect the county jail, which is a model structure, combining the greatest security with humane provisions for the inmates. Mr. Spalding was also the author of the road law which was adopted and put into working force in Union county, and has since been incorporated in the general statute law of Kentucky and other southern states, to the great advantage of those sections where it is in use. He has been named by his county as its choice for congressional honors and has represented his district in both houses of the state legislature. He was the author of the constitutional provision providing for a board of railroad commissioners of Kentucky, and has served on the board for five years prior thereto, while from 1888 until 1892 he filled the office of its chairman. He was once delegate at large from Kentucky to a Democratic national convention, and was an active and influential member of the constitutional convention of 1890, which framed the present organic

law of the state. He is most conscientious and faithful in the discharge of every trust committed to his care, his loyalty to the best interests of the state is above question and his name is closely identified with measures which have proved of great benefit to the commonwealth. His address is pleasant, free from all affectation, with voice and gesture well in accord with the thought which ever dominates his utterances, unobscured by the adornments of rhetorical effect or elocutionary power, which, however, he can use with telling effect when occasion demands.

Mr. Spalding was married in 1855 to Miss Susan A. Johnson, of McLean county, Kentucky, a daughter of John and Lucy (Huston) Johnson. They have one son, J. J. Spalding, now a practicing lawyer of Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Spalding wields a strong influence in the councils of the Democratic party, is esteemed by his neighbors, valued as a friend and accorded a leading place at the Union county bar.

JOHN WILLIAM BLUE.

John William Blue, attorney-at-law of Marion, Kentucky, was born in Crittenden county, this state, March 29, 1861, a son of John William and Frances M. (Baldwin) Blue, the former of whom was born in Union county, Kentucky, in 1828, and died in Marion in 1878, while the mother was born in Lyon county, Kentucky, and died in Marion in 1893. The father was a son of Solomon and Mahala (Kearney) Blue, both natives of Kentucky.

John W. Blue was reared and educated in Marion and studied law in his father's office, being admitted to the bar in 1885, since which time he has practiced his profession in Marion. He was associated with his father and then with Senator Deboe, until 1897, and is now the

partner of C. S. Nunn. From 1890 to 1895 he was county attorney, and is now mayor of Marion, serving his second term in that position. He has been a trustee of the graded schools since 1895 and president of Marion bank since 1899, and prior to that was vice-president of this bank. He and his partner, Mr. Nunn, opened a zinc mine in Crittenden county, and shipped their first carload of ore in 1901. In politics he is a Democrat; fraternally is a Knight Templar Mason and a Knight of Pythias.

In 1891 he married Mary Wilson, a daughter of W. F. Wilson, deceased. In religion he is a Presbyterian, and acted as a delegate to the general assembly of his denomination in 1897.

STEPHEN POLIVICK.

Stephen Polivick is one of the self-made and successful farmers and business men of Carlisle county. He was born in Graves county, Kentucky, on the 10th of March, 1863. His parents were George and Nancy (Crabtree) Polivick. The father was a native of Savonia, Germany, and when only nine years of age went to sea. Not long afterward he came to the United States, and from New Orleans made his way northward to Paducah, Kentucky. There he became a grocer, following the business for several years, and it was there that he was united in marriage to Miss Crabtree, whose birth occurred in Tennessee. They afterward took up their abode in Graves county, Kentucky, and subsequently came to Carlisle county, where Mr. Polivick died at the age of seventy-two years. He was a most energetic and enterprising man, possessed of marked force of character, strong individuality and unfaltering purpose. He carried forward to successful

completion whatever he undertook, if his aim could be accomplished through honorable effort. His wife died when about fifty-eight years of age, surviving her husband only a short time. They were the parents of the following children: Less and Jim, who are now deceased; Noah E., a resident farmer of Carlisle county; Rosa, who is the wife of J. B. Tankersley, of Carlisle county; Stephen; Henry L., who follows farming in Carlisle county; and John L. and George, who are also engaged in agricultural pursuits.

In the usual manner of farmer lads, Stephen Polivick was reared, and gained a common school education, fitting himself for life's practical duties. On attaining his majority he started out on his own account, and has since been dependent upon his own resources for a living. He began at railroad construction work and was afterward engaged in the operation of a sawmill for three years, but during the greater part of his life he has followed farming. Recently he has been very actively engaged in railroad construction work, as a contractor, meeting with gratifying success. His marked energy has been the salient feature in his career, and his success proves what can be accomplished when one has the will to dare and to do.

In 1894 occurred the marriage of Mr. Polivick and Miss Pattie Young, daughter of W. H. Young, of Carlisle county, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Polivick are the parents of three children: George Young, Robert Hinkle and Gladys. Mr. Polivick votes with the Democracy and gives to it his earnest support, believing firmly in its principles. He is also connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The success which he has achieved is the merited reward of his own labor, and his life history is another evidence of the fact that in this land where opportunity is unhampered by caste or class the ambitious young

man can work his way upward, gaining success that wins for him the admiration and respect of his fellow men.

IVY WALKER SPICER.

Ivy Walker Spicer, one of the prominent representatives of the farming interests of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in this county, August 24, 1860, and is the son of James and Fannie (Luton) Spicer. The father was born in South Carolina, and was a son of Thomas Spicer, also born in South Carolina.

James Spicer was a Methodist minister and became a pioneer of Hickman county, where he wrought much good, and became highly respected for his many excellent qualities of both heart and mind. In politics he was a Democrat, but never sought office. He was a good citizen, a consistent Christian, a devoted husband and father, and made the world better for having lived in it. His death occurred when he was sixty-five years of age. His wife died at the age of sixty-three years, about a year before her husband. Eleven children were born to this worthy couple, namely: Henry T., Nancy J., deceased, King S., James C., George W., Joseph, Elbert W., Adam C., William L., Ferrell and Ivy Walker.

Ivy Walker Spicer is the youngest of the above named children, and was reared in Hickman county, and educated in its public schools. At the age of twenty-one years, with very little capital, he began the battle of life for himself as a farmer and stock trader, and so successful has he been that he now owns a fine two hundred-acre farm, and is one of the leading citizens of Hickman county. In politics he is an ardent Democrat. In religious affiliations he could scarcely be other

than a Methodist, because of the example of his revered father before him.

On August 16, 1894, he was married to Miss Nettie Ward, born in Hickman county, May 22, 1872, and a daughter of Wiley and Elizabeth (Meacham) Ward. Two children have been born to them, namely: Ethel, born April 2, 1897, and Frances E., born March 19, 1901.

KING S. SPICER.

King S. Spicer, a prosperous farmer and well-known resident of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born December 16, 1843, and is a son of James and Fannie (Luton) Spicer. The father was born in South Carolina, and was a son of Thomas Spicer, who was born in North Carolina.

The father of our subject was a Methodist minister and became an early settler in Hickman county. While a Democrat in politics, he never sought office. He possessed excellent traits of character, and lived an exemplary Christian life. At the time of his death he was sixty-five years of age. His wife died at the age of sixty-three years. She was a loving and devoted mother, and bore her husband the following children, namely: Henry T.; Nancy J., deceased; King S.; James C.; George W.; Joseph; Elbert W.; Adam C.; William L.; Ferrell; and Ivy Walker.

King S. Spicer was reared and educated in Hickman county, attending the country schools. Starting out in life at the age of twenty years with very little capital, he engaged in farming and stock-dealing. Success attended his efforts and he soon became a prosperous man. He is now the owner of a fine and well-improved farm of one hundred and

six acres, and is numbered among the most prominent farmers of Hickman county. In politics he is a Democrat; is a Methodist in religious views, and has been a Master Mason for thirty-six years.

Mr. Spicer participated in the Civil war, having enlisted in 1863, in the Confederate army. He served under General Forrest, with Cheatom as brigadier-general and participated in the battles of Harrisburg and Crossroads, as well as in numerous skirmishes, and proved himself a brave and gallant soldier.

In 1861 he was married to Miss Sallie Frazer, who died in March, 1863, leaving one son, Robert, who died at the age of eight months. On December 28, 1865, he married Miss Adaline E. Meacham, who was born in Todd county, Kentucky, in September, 1846. Three children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Spicer, namely: Fannie, born October 12, 1867; Fred M., born November 29, 1872; and Edgar T., born September 12, 1876.

WILLIAM LEE VIA.

William Lee Via, a well-known and prosperous farmer of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in this county, March 25, 1849, a son of David C. and Harriet E. (Bone) Via. His paternal grandfather was Roland Via, while his maternal grandfather was Samuel Bone.

David C. Via was a farmer by occupation. He came to Kentucky when a young man. In politics he was a Democrat, and religiously was a member of the Methodist church. His death occurred in 1882, when he was sixty-six years of age. His wife died at the age of fifty-five years. Ten children were born to them, namely: Mary A.; William L.; Harriett Allice; James J., deceased; David T.; Samuel

B., deceased; Martha D., deceased; and three others that died in infancy.

The early life of William Lee Via was spent upon his father's farm, and he was educated in the public schools of his native county. Like his father he is a Democrat in political faith. In religious affiliations he is a member of the Christian church, and has been for twenty-two years. Beginning with a small capital, he began life as a farmer, and has been very successful, now owning ninety acres of excellent land, nearly all under a good state of cultivation.

On October 17, 1872, he married Mary E. Wray, born in Hickman county, September 28, 1855. Five children have been born of this marriage, namely: Bernice, born April 22, 1874, died aged seventeen months; Lela, born June 9, 1875, died aged three years; Fannie E., born May 13, 1877; James D., born September 1, 1879; and Mary A., born April 11, 1888, died aged four years. Mr. Via is justly regarded as one of the representative farmers of the community, and the success he has attained comes through his own unaided efforts.

JOHN V. FOWLER.

John V. Fowler, one of the representative men of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in Humphreys county, Tennessee, September 17, 1846, and is a son of Thomas J. and Louisa (Vanhook) Fowler, both born in Tennessee. The paternal grandfather was William Fowler, who was born in North Carolina, and the maternal grandfather, Robert Vanhook, was of German descent.

Thomas J. Fowler was a farmer by occupation and made his home in Tennessee. In politics he was a Democrat, and religiously was a

member of the Methodist church, dying in that faith, in 1857, aged seventy years. His wife survived him three years, dying in 1860, at the age of forty years. She was his third wife. By his first wife he had seven children, as follows: William, Agnes, Minerva, Samuel, George, James and Sterling; by his second wife he had three children, namely: Lucy, Allen S. and Thomas J. The third wife bore him four children, namely: John V.; Robert V., who died at the age of six years; William V., who died at the age of two years; and Eliza V., still living.

John V. Fowler was reared in Tennessee, and had no educational advantages. In politics he is a Democrat, and fraternally is a Master Mason. In 1864 he enlisted in the Confederate army, and served four months or until the close of the war. Five brothers were in the Confederate army, namely: George; James, killed in the battle of Chickamauga; Sterling, who died on his way home; Allen, who was discharged at Gainsville; and Thomas, who served two years.

Mr. Fowler began the battle of life for himself with limited means, but by hard work he has become a prosperous farmer, owning one hundred and sixteen acres of excellent land. While residing in Humphreys county, Tennessee, he was married to Mary Balthrop, August 17, 1865. She was born in Dickson county, Tennessee, July 7, 1844. Eleven children have been born of this union, namely: James H.; George M., who died in infancy; Asilla, who died in infancy; Bettie J. and Mary E., twins; Emma B., deceased; William D.; Thomas; Anna A.; John W.; and Nora Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Fowler are very highly respected throughout the community in which they reside, and they have a wide circle of personal friends.

THOMAS WASHINGTON MOORE.

Thomas Washington Moore, one of the most prosperous farmers of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in this county February 6, 1860, a son of William J. and Mary A. (Hayden) Moore. The paternal grandfather was Ira Moore, of Irish descent, while the maternal grandfather was James Hayden, and was of German descent.

William J. Moore was born in Hickman county, and by occupation was a farmer, making his home in his native county. In politics he was a Democrat. He died October 27, 1900, aged nearly eighty-one years, firm in the faith of the Missionary Baptist church, after a membership of sixty-one years. The mother is still living, aged seventy years. Eleven children were born to them, namely: Sarah E., James S., Emily F., Thomas W., Henry B., Ada, deceased, Christopher F., Ella M., Lillian J., Robert and Luther B.

Thomas W. Moore was reared and educated in Hickman county, and attended the public schools and Clinton College. He began farming and stock-dealing quite early in life, and has continued in these lines ever since. Commencing without a dollar, he is now the owner of a farm of one hundred and forty-six acres, and is a member of the stock firm of Spicer Brothers and Moore. Like his father, he is a Democrat in politics. He is a deacon in the Springhill Baptist church.

In July, 1880, he married Miss Laura Hatchel, born in Graves county, Kentucky, November 21, 1864. Six children have been born to them, namely: Thomas V., who died in infancy; Minnie M., born November 2, 1883; William Herbert, born May 10, 1886; Mary M., born April 3, 1889; Ila A., born March 22, 1892; Nannie L., born August 13, 1894. The mother died in 1895, and in 1896 Mr. Moore

married Joan Porter, who was born in Hickman county, February 3, 1870. Two children have been born to them, namely: Lizzie E., born May 17, 1899, and Richmond P., born March 14, 1902. Mr. Moore is one of the leading men of his county, and enjoys the confidence of a wide circle of friends.

ANDREW J. DRISKILL, M. D.

Andrew J. Driskill, M. D., a leading physician of Marion, Kentucky, was born on a farm in Livingston county, Kentucky, July 4, 1861, and is a son of Andrew J. and Mattie (Jones) Driskill. The father was born in Todd county, Kentucky, in 1820, while the mother was born in Livingston county. He died in Livingston county, in 1899, while his wife died in 1871, aged forty-eight years. By occupation the father was a farmer, a Republican in politics and a member of the Baptist church. Fourteen children were born to himself and wife.

Dr. Driskill was reared on his native farm, and educated in the common public schools. Later he taught school, and then, as he could, studied medicine, entering Miami Medical College at Cincinnati, where he spent some years. He spent a year at Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia. After his graduation he practiced for two years, and then entered Vanderbilt University at Nashville, from which he was graduated in 1889. Until 1898 following this he was at Smithland, and then settled at Grand Rivers, and in February, 1901, he located in Marion. He is a member of Crittenden County Medical Society, Southwestern Kentucky Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the International Railway Surgeons' Association, and is local surgeon for the Illinois Central. Fraternally he is a Knight of Pythias, and is very popular in the order.

In 1895 Dr. Driskill was married to Sallie Mantz, of Smithland, Kentucky, and four children have been born to them. Mr. and Mrs. Driskill are members of the Baptist Missionary church, and are numbered among the leading people of Marion.

N. L. ROGERS, M. D.

In a record of those who have been prominently identified with professional interests in Ballard county it is imperative that definite consideration be accorded to Dr. N. L. Rogers, for not only is he prominent among the medical fraternity, but is also a native son of Kentucky, with whose interests he has been identified throughout his entire life, concerned with a calling that has important bearing upon a community, and so ordering his life as to gain and retain the confidence and respect of his fellow men.

Dr. Rogers was born in Trigg county, Kentucky, August 1, 1863. His father, Richard S. Rogers, was born in the same county in 1818, and the grandfather, David Rogers, was a native of North Carolina, and was of Huguenot and Scotch-Irish lineage. In the state of his nativity he married a Miss Sumner, and they removed to Trigg county, Kentucky, becoming pioneer settlers of that locality about 1817. Since that time representatives of the name have been active in matters of citizenship pertaining to the general good of the Blue Grass state. Reared under the parental roof, Richard S. Rogers grew to manhood in Kentucky, and was here married to Miss Mary J. Carr, whose birth occurred in Missouri in 1819. She was a daughter of John Carr, who was born in Virginia, and came thence to Kentucky, living near Lexington for some years. He was a frontiersman of this state, and from

Kentucky went to Missouri, settling about one hundred miles northwest of St. Louis. It was during his residence in that state that Mrs. Rogers was born. After three years spent in Missouri, however, he returned to Kentucky, taking up his abode in Trigg county, where he died in 1870, at the very advanced age of ninety-six years. The year 1881 witnessed the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Rogers, in Wickliffe, and the former died here in 1893, while the latter still makes her home in Wickliffe, having reached an advanced age. This worthy couple were the parents of eleven children, of whom the Doctor is the youngest. Two of the sons were soldiers in the Federal army during the Civil war.

Dr. Rogers was but eighteen years of age when his parents removed to Ballard county. His father was a farmer by occupation, and he was reared to farm life, early becoming familiar with the duties of the field and meadow. He pursued his education in Farmington and in Milburn, receiving academic privileges and thus gaining a broad literary education to serve as a foundation upon which to rear the superstructure of his professional learning. At the age of twenty-three years he entered the Hospital Medical College, at Louisville, and was graduated on the 17th of June, 1890, at which time he located in Wickliffe, where he has since continued in active practice. Almost from the beginning he enjoyed a lucrative business, which has constantly increased both in volume and importance. He is a member of the Ballard County Medical Society and of the Kentucky State Medical Association, the International Association of Railway Surgeons and the Southern Railway Surgeons' Association. He is a local surgeon for both the Illinois Central and the Mississippi & Ohio railroad companies, and is health officer for Ballard county.

In 1892 occurred the marriage of Dr. Rogers and Miss Cattie Thomas, who was born in Henry county, Kentucky. They now have two interesting little sons, Noyl Boone and Robert Thomas. The parents hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal church, South, and the doctor is a Master Mason. But while he gives due consideration to social interests and affairs of a public nature, his time and attention are chiefly devoted to his profession, of which he is a most able representative.

READ FISHER.

A valuable farm of one hundred and fifty acres of fine land, all in one body, is the property of Read Fisher, and upon this tract he makes his home, devoting his energies to general agricultural pursuits and stock-raising. He was born February 10, 1861, upon his father's farm about a mile east of Bardwell, and is a son of John and Narcissa (Hutson) Fisher, who were natives of White county, Tennessee, and thence came to Kentucky. Establishing their home in Carlisle county, they reared their family here, becoming well known and highly respected citizens of this community. Extended mention of them is made in connection with the sketch of Alfred C. Fisher, on another page of this work.

At the usual age Read Fisher entered the public schools, therein pursuing his studies until he had mastered the common branches of English learning. He has always followed farming, and he remained with his father until the latter's death, and after that took charge of the home farm and cared for his mother, managing her interests until her demise. He was the youngest member of the family, and to his parents he rendered filial devotion and service. In 1887, one year before his

mother's death, he was united in marriage to Miss Anna Dale, of Hazelwood, Ballard county, Kentucky, a daughter of Feeland Arnold Dale, one of the well known and honored pioneer settlers of Ballard county. To Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have been born four children: Nannie Jane, Mattie Cordie, Katie Lee and Dale. Mr. Fisher gives his support to the Democracy, and in religious faith he and his wife are Methodists, belonging to the Methodist Episcopal church, South. They have a pleasant home on their fine farm, which is pleasantly located not far from Bardwell.

Mr. Fisher is a man of strong purpose, indefatigable energy and unabating diligence, and to these qualities may be attributed his success, for he started out in life empty-handed. He has worked earnestly as the years have passed, and owing to his capable management has become the owner of an attractive farm of one hundred and fifty acres. This is now very valuable land, owing to the improvements which he has placed upon it. He is not only engaged in the cultivation of the crops best adapted to soil and climate, but also devotes considerable attention to the raising of sheep, horses, cattle and hogs. In all his farming methods he is progressive, and neatness and thrift characterize his place. He is also known as an enterprising citizen, and one well worthy of representation in the history of his native county.

RICHARD T. PETREE.

Richard T. Petree, of Hopkinsville, was born in Todd county, Kentucky, in 1824. His father, Hazel Petree, a farmer by occupation, was born in South Carolina and came to Christian (now Todd) county, Kentucky, in 1810. He was accompanied by the grandfather

of Richard T., who was of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and served with the South Carolina troops during the war of the Revolution. The mother, Sarah Mobley Petree, was also born in South Carolina, and their marriage was celebrated in that state prior to their emigration to Kentucky.

Mr. Petree, whose name introduces this review, was educated in an academy at Elkton, Todd county, and read law under the preceptorship of Captain F. M. Bristow, who afterward served as a member of the constitutional convention of 1849, as a member of the state senate and of congress. He was also the father of Benjamin H. Bristow, who became secretary of the treasury during President Grant's second administration. Mr. Petree is a brother of Hon. H. G. Petree, of Elkton, Kentucky. He was admitted to the bar in 1848, and the following year removed to Hopkinsville, since which time he has been a leading and influential member of the bar of that section. In 1851 he was elected to the office of county attorney and served for eight years. In 1862 he was elected circuit judge for a term of six years, presiding over the sixth judicial district, comprising Christian, Todd, Muhlenberg, Caldwell, Trigg and Lyon counties. His practice has been general and includes connection with almost every important litigation in both the criminal and civil courts of his district. He was for a short time in partnership with his preceptor, F. M. Bristow, and in 1857 entered into partnership with Benjamin H. Bristow, the connection continuing until 1861, when Mr. Bristow entered the federal service as lieutenant-colonel. In 1884 he admitted into partnership his son-in-law, James W. Downer, and the firm of Petree & Downer has an acknowledged leadership in the legal profession in this section of Kentucky.

In Hopkinsville, in 1854, was celebrated the marriage of Judge

Petree and Miss Mary W. Hubbard, who died in 1882. Three children of the family are yet living: Thomas N., Luther H. and Mrs. John P. Burnett; Mollie P., wife of James W. Downer, is now deceased.

During the period of the Civil war Judge Petree was a Unionist, and since that time has voted with the Democracy, but takes no active part in politics. For more than a third of a century he has been a member of the Baptist church, and is well known for his benevolent and philanthropic spirit. His unswerving fidelity to the interests of his clients, combined with a true appreciation of the dignity of his profession, gives him a power and force in the court room which it is difficult to combat. He is a man of unimpeachable integrity, and among Kentucky lawyers none are more universally esteemed.

JOSEPH A. H. MILLER, M. D.

A prominent member of the medical profession in Caldwell county, Kentucky, is Joseph A. H. Miller, who has been located at Princeton for twenty years. A brief review of Dr. Miller's life gives the following facts:

Joseph A. H. Miller was born in Trigg county, Kentucky, December 15, 1859, and has in his veins a mixture of Scotch-Irish and German blood. However, his ancestors, both paternal and maternal, have been in this country for many years. Joseph Miller, his grandfather, was of Scotch-Irish parentage and was born in one of the Carolinas, whence, when a young man, he went with his parents to Tennessee. In Stewart county, Tennessee, in 1833, his son, Isaac W. Miller, was born. The latter graduated from the Ohio Medical College, and for nearly twenty years was engaged in the practice of medicine in Trigg county, Ken-

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tucky, where he died in the prime of life, at about the age of forty years. He was twice married, first to Arthelia K. Ledford, a native of Trigg county, her father, Andrew Ledford, having been one of the pioneers of that county. The Ledfords were of German origin. By this first marriage there was a daughter and son; the latter being the subject of this sketch; the former died in 1883. By his second wife, who was Mary Davis, Dr. I. W. Miller had five children, namely, Hugh, Lelia, Hattie, Troy and Isaac W.

Joseph A. H. Miller at birth lost his mother. Until he was four years old he was cared for by his paternal grandmother, and then, his father having married, he was taken home. When he was fourteen his father's death made another change in homes for him, and he went to live with his maternal grandfather. At sixteen he was thrown upon his own resources. Two years later he took up the study of medicine, at Cadiz, Kentucky, under the tutorship of Dr. J. W. Crenshaw, with whom he remained two years, attending lectures during the winter months, first at the Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, and then at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, St. Louis. Subsequently, in 1889, he pursued a course of study in the University at Louisville, where he graduated. He began the practice of his profession under license issued to him by the board of the first judicial district of Kentucky, that being before he was twenty-one. Dr. Miller located in Princeton in 1884, and the good will and confidence of the people which he gained in the early years of his residence here have followed him to the present time. He is a constant student, has always taken a pride in keeping himself posted in the advancement made along his professional lines, and is identified with a number of medical organizations, including the American Medical Association, the Kentucky State Medical Asso-

ciation, the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, Caldwell County Medical Society and the Mississippi Valley Medical Association. He has been local surgeon of the Illinois Central Railroad for sixteen years, and health officer for fifteen years. Other fraternal organizations with which he is associated are the Knights of Pythias and the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Dr. Miller has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Alva F. Coleman, of Trigg county, the daughter of A. E. Coleman; by her he has four sons, Fulton C., Hugh McN., Harry Mc. and Carl P. The eldest son is in railroad business, the second is a druggist and the others are in college. Mrs. Miller died in 1897, and Dr. Miller afterward married Miss Theodosia McCormick, of Charlestown, Indiana, daughter of Joshua McCormick, deceased. Politically Dr. Miller affiliates with the Republican party, to which he first gave his support in 1896; previous to that time he was a Democrat.

JAMES WALLER DOWNER.

James Waller Downer, of Hopkinsville, was born in Todd county, Kentucky, on the 20th day of November, 1853. His grandfather, Benjamin Downer, came from Virginia to Kentucky, in 1811, and located in that county. His father, who was also named Benjamin Downer, followed farming in Todd county for many years, and was an influential and highly respected citizen of the community in which he lived. He married Emily L. Pendleton, whose people also came from Virginia, and located in Christian county, Kentucky, in the year 1812. Her brother, James M. Pendleton, D. D., a minister of the

Baptist denomination, became a prominent divine and was the author of a number of works on theological subjects.

Mr. Downer, whose name forms the caption of this article, spent his early boyhood days on the home farm, and attended, at intervals, the neighboring schools. His educational opportunities and privileges were somewhat limited; broad reading, study and observation, however, combined with a retentive memory, have highly enriched his mind, and he is to-day one of the best informed men at the Hopkinsville bar. In 1874, when twenty years of age, he accepted the position of deputy in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Todd county, and acted in that capacity for three and a half years. In September, 1878, he entered the law department of the Cumberland University, of Lebanon, Tennessee, thus realizing a long cherished wish of preparing himself for the legal profession. In June, 1879, he graduated at that institution, was admitted to the bar, and opened an office in Hopkinsville, Kentucky. With the brilliancy of the Kentucky bar of earlier times to inspire them, it is no wonder that so many of her bright young men turn to the law; nor that, with such high ideals before them, they attain to positions of eminence in their chosen vocation.

Love of study, and a desire to carry his investigations into many fields of learning, have also been important factors in Mr. Downer's success. He is not only a close student of the science of jurisprudence, but he is also a man of scholastic tastes and habits; and it is true that no profession or business to which man gives his attention demands a broader range of general information than the law, which involves not only questions of morality and justice, but all the interests and labors to which human effort has been directed.

In July, 1881, Mr. Downer was appointed city attorney of Hop-

kinsville; was elected to the same office the following December, and was re-elected in December, 1882. In January, 1884, he entered into partnership with Judge R. T. Petree for the practice of law, which connection has continued until the present time. His practice is extensive and general in its character. He is now attorney for several corporations, including the Planters' Bank, the City Bank and the First National Bank, all of Hopkinsville, and of the last named he is a director.

In August, 1891, Mr. Downer was elected to the state senate from the sixth district, composed of the counties of Christian and Hopkins; and served through the "long parliament" of 1892-3, the session of the general assembly following the adoption of the constitution of 1890, when the revision and enactment of the statutes were the matters under consideration. He served on the senate judiciary committee, of which Hon. William Lindsay (now United States senator) was chairman; and his knowledge of the law made him a valuable member. As a member of this committee, many of the most important chapters of the present statutes were referred to him for examination and report. He also served on the committee on the capitol and public buildings. He took a prominent part in the formation of the laws, and introduced and advocated a bill providing that employes of railroad companies who had sustained personal injuries in the discharge of duty should have greater rights in the state of Kentucky than they now possess. This measure was known as the "fellow servant" bill, and, after a long struggle, failed to pass.

In January, 1896, Mr. Downer was appointed one of the commissioners of the Western Kentucky Asylum for the Insane, by Governor W. O. Bradley, for a term of six years.

In October, 1883, Mr. Downer was united in marriage to Mollie D. Petree, the accomplished daughter of Judge R. T. Petree, his law partner. She died in December, 1894, leaving one daughter, Louise Hubbard Downer, now twelve years of age. Mr. Downer is a leading member of the Baptist church of Hopkinsville, and for fifteen years has served as its treasurer. He is a man of fine personal qualities, and his straightforward deportment merits and receives the highest esteem.

GENERAL HYLAN B. LYON.

It is most fitting that upon the pages of any work devoted to Kentucky biography mention of General Hylan B. Lyon, of Eddyville, should be made. General Lyon is a native of Kentucky, his birth having occurred in Lyon county on the 22d day of February, 1836. His paternal grandfather, Mathew Lyon, was a native of Ireland, and a man of an interesting career. About 1758, when between eight and nine years of age, he ran away from home and took passage on a sailing vessel bound for America. The vessel reaching its destination, its captain sold the youth to a Vermont farmer for a yoke of oxen to pay passage money, which young Lyon soon refunded to the farmer by working at the printer's trade. Later he was twice sent to Congress from Vermont. In 1799 he went to Eddyville, Kentucky. Two years later he returned to Vermont, and brought therefrom a colony to Kentucky. With him he brought a printing press, and at Eddyville established a paper. Later he engaged in building government gunboats and other boats, became interested largely in river navigation, and also operated a nail factory. He soon rose in public consideration, and

was elected first to the state and then to the national assemblies. From Kentucky he served as a delegate in Congress from 1803 to 1811. He was then appointed Indian agent for the Cherokee Indians in Arkansas, and was made the first delegate to Congress from Arkansas, but died en route to Washington, and was buried at Eddyville. His wife was by maiden name Beulah Chittenden, and was a daughter of Governor Chittenden, of Vermont. She bore him seven children, one of whom was Chittenden Lyon, who was elected to Congress, and in whose honor Lyon county, Kentucky, was named.

Another of these seven children was Mathew Lyon, the father of our subject. He came to Kentucky in 1801; was captain of state militia; served in the state senate, and was prominent in business affairs. He died in 1839, and in 1844 occurred the death of his wife, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Martin. She, too, was a native of Vermont. She bore him eight children, of whom Hylan B. was the youngest, save one.

General Hylan B. Lyon was given splendid educational privileges. He attended the Masonic University of Kentucky, at La Grange, the Cumberland University, at Princeton, Kentucky, and at the age of sixteen became a cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he graduated in 1856, and was brevetted second lieutenant, Second Artillery, and placed on duty at Fort Myers. He served in the Seminole war, at the close of which he was promoted to full rank of second lieutenant of the Third Artillery, and ordered to Fort Huyma, California; a year later to Washington territory, where he again served against the Indians.

When the Civil war came on he was appointed first lieutenant of Company F, Third Kentucky Infantry, Confederate army. In 1862

he became lieutenant colonel of the Eighth Kentucky Infantry, and later became its colonel.

His military career in the conflict between the states was most brilliant, and detailed mention of the same would be of interest, but limited space forbids such. The war closed, General Lyon returned to his home in Eddyville, and took up the thread of civil life, closing his military career. At that time he assumed charge of his land possessions, and since he has in the main been engaged in farming.

He has always taken active interest in public affairs and in politics. When the Kentucky branch penitentiary was built at Eddyville he was one of the commissioners in charge thereof. He has ever been a stanch Democrat, and in 1899 was elected a member of the lower branch of the general assembly of Kentucky, representing Lyon and Marshall counties. In 1900 he served as a member of the contest board to settle the gubernatorial election contest.

General Lyon has been married three times. In 1861 he married Miss Laura O'Hara, who died in 1865, leaving one son, Hylan F., now deceased. In 1869 the General married Miss Grace Machen. She died in 1873, leaving four children, namely: Grace, widow of Thomas Beeler, of Princeton, Kentucky; Frank, a lieutenant in the United States navy; Hugh, a mechanical engineer; and Earnest, a bookkeeper, residing at Eddyville. In 1887 General Lyon married a third time, wedding Miss Ruth Wolfe. This marriage has been blessed by the birth of two children that gladden and brighten the home. They are May Belle and Lorraine.

GEORGE BEELER, M. D.

The late Dr. George Beeler, of Clinton, for years was a well and favorably known physician and surgeon of western Kentucky. He was a native of the grand old state of Kentucky, and among its many sons who have shed luster upon her name. Dr. Beeler deserves more than a passing notice in any compendium of Kentucky biography. He was born in the county of Jefferson, on the 21st day of December, 1830, and died at Clinton, long his home, on the 30th of September, 1899.

His parents were George and Hannah (Stansbury) Beeler. His father was a native of Tennessee, born in 1783. He came to Kentucky when a young man, and here married Hannah Stansbury, a native of Butler county, Kentucky. He resided in Jefferson county, Kentucky, and was a farmer by occupation. He was sixty-seven years of age at the time of his death, which occurred in 1850. His wife preceded him in death some twenty years.

Dr. George Beeler was reared on the farm, and in youth attended the local schools. In 1851, when about twenty-one years of age, a friend and former instructor of his, Professor Simon Snyder, accepted a professorship in Clinton Seminary, and was accompanied to Clinton, Kentucky, by young Beeler, who was further educated in the seminary. Here he continued his studies until January, 1853. When he came to Clinton it was only to attend school, and he had no intention of making the place one of permanent residence. But predilection led him to study medicine, and he began his preparations for the medical profession under the preceptorship of Dr. John F. Ray, of Clinton. Later he went to Louisville, and further pursued his studies under Dr. Robert

Breckenridge, professor of materia medica in the University of Louisville, and became prepared to enter Transylvania University, of Lexington, in the medical department. He graduated in 1855, with the degree of M. D., and, returning to Clinton, practiced a few months. In the fall of that same year he entered the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, where he graduated in March, 1856. Again returning to Clinton, he began his professional career in earnest, after having thoroughly prepared himself for the profession. He soon gained a large and remunerative practice, and for years stood foremost in his profession, his practice extending far beyond the borders of his own county and even that of Kentucky. Much of his professional service in latter days was that of consultation.

He was twice president of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, and was also vice-president and later president of the Kentucky State Medical Association. Of the American Medical Association he was also a member, and for years a member of the state board of health, serving up to the time of his death. He was also local surgeon for the Illinois Central Railroad. He was a constant student, and kept abreast of the advancements in his profession. He possessed rare qualities of heart and mind, and such was his skill and knowledge, his generosity and his kindness, as to not only inspire confidence in his ability to heal the sick, but also to gain and hold the esteem and high regard and devotion of all who knew him. In personal appearance he was "fine looking," about five feet ten inches in height, weighing over two hundred pounds, with a noble face, and was a fine specimen of physical manhood.

Dr. Beeler was united in marriage to Miss Viola Whayne on the 18th of November, 1856. She was a daughter of Mr. Coleman

Whayne, a pioneer resident of Ballard county, Kentucky, and in that county she was born. She died in Clinton in 1894, aged fifty-six years. She bore her husband eleven children, as follows: Blanch, widow of Rev. J. W. Higbee, now residing in Clinton; Love, recently deceased, was the wife of James L. Moss, of Clinton; Jennie, widow of John M. Samuels, now residing in Clinton; Lizzie, who died at the age of sixteen years; Ola, who died at the age of ten years; George Frederick, a physician and surgeon of Clinton; Mainie, wife of J. M. Porter, of Clinton; Wyatt, who died at the age of seven years; John Moorman, a physician and surgeon of Clinton; Dean, who died in infancy; and Anna, who died at the age of twenty-one years.

Dr. Beeler and wife were almost life-long members of the Christian church, and he was also a member of the Masonic order. To his church he was a liberal contributor, and to the construction of many Christian church buildings in Hickman county and surrounding counties he gave liberally of his means. He was loved and honored, and lived an exemplary life.

GEORGE FREDERICK BEELER, M. D.

George Frederick Beeler, M. D., son of the late Dr. George Beeler, whose biography appears above, was born in Clinton, Kentucky, September 10, 1866. He was reared in his native town, and there received his early scholastic training, and at the Kentucky State Mechanical and Agricultural College, at Lexington, his literary education was completed. Under his father as his preceptor, he first studied medicine, and then attended the University of Louisville, where he graduated March 3, 1891, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Subsequently he took post-graduate courses at the Kentucky School of Medi-

cine at Louisville and at the New York Polyclinic. He began his practice of medicine in Clinton, and has continued here, gaining and holding a lucrative practice. Dr. Beeler is a member of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society, of the Hickman County Medical Society, of the Kentucky State Medical Association, and is local surgeon for the Illinois Central Railway.

Dr. Beeler has never sought political preferment; nevertheless he is an ardent Democrat. He is a member in the order of Knights of Pythias, also he is a member of the Christian church. In 1891 he married Miss Carrie Sublette, an accomplished lady, whose father years ago resided in Clinton, but afterward in Alabama, in which state Mrs. Beeler was born. The home of Dr. and Mrs. Beeler is brightened and gladdened by three children, one daughter and two sons.

JOHN MOORMAN BEELER, M. D.

John Moorman Beeler, M. D., son of Dr. George and Viola (Whayne) Beeler, was born in Clinton county, Kentucky, December 31, 1874; educated in Marvin and Clinton Colleges, Western Kentucky College and Kentucky University, graduating from the last named institution in 1895. In the fall of the same year he entered the University of Louisville, and there graduated in medicine in 1898, since which time he has been in the practice of his chosen profession in Clinton. He is a member of the Hickman County Medical Society, of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical Society and of the Kentucky State Medical Association.

In 1900 Dr. Beeler married Miss Minnie Taylor Cresap, daughter of Hanson M. Cresap, Esq., of Clinton, Kentucky.

THADDEUS G. KLAPP.

Thaddeus G. Klapp is one of the most successful business men and farmers of Hickman county, and by reason of the success he has achieved and the reputation he has established for himself deserves creditable mention in a work of local biography, such as it is our present task to compile.

Mr. Klapp was born in North Carolina, November 6, 1844. His parents were Daniel Monroe Klapp and Arlene (Robertson) Klapp, both natives of North Carolina. The name Klapp is of German origin. About 1845 our subject's parents removed from North Carolina to Missouri, and lived in the latter state about two years. They then came to Kentucky and settled in what is now Carlisle county, where they afterward lived and died. They had but one son, Thaddeus G., but five daughters were born to them.

Thaddeus G. Klapp was reared on the farm and given a fair education for his day. He was in his teens when the Civil war came on. In March of 1864 he enlisted as a private in Company D, Third Kentucky, a mounted infantry regiment, and served in the Confederate army till November, 1864. At the battle of Harrisburg he was wounded.

Returning from the field of battle, young Klapp resumed the duties of farm life, and not long thereafter married. In 1867 he married Sarah W. Fraser, a daughter of Daniel Fraser, a native of Virginia, of Scotch descent, his grandfather, Daniel Fraser, having come from Scotland, and was a soldier of the Revolutionary war. Mrs. Klapp was born October 30, 1846, in Calloway county, Kentucky, where her father was a pioneer settler.

To Mr. and Mrs. Klapp have been born the following children: Daniel I., born August 17, 1868; Dilar Wilmoth, born in June, 1870; Samuel F., born March 17, 1872; James M., born March 16, 1874; Maud F., born August 14, 1877, married James F. Shelby; Thaddeus S., born November 6, 1880; Hattie, born April 24, 1885, married W. W. Nall; Algie J., born January 9, 1890.

Mr. Klapp has followed farming and milling, together with the operation of threshing machines. His life has been an active and successful one, and he is held in high esteem by a wide circle of acquaintances. In 1880 Mr. Klapp became a resident of Hickman county. Previously he had resided in what is now Carlisle county, then a part of Ballard county. In politics he is a stanch Democrat, and in church faith is a Methodist.

DANIEL I. KLAPP.

Daniel I. Klapp, the oldest of eight children born to Thaddeus G. and Sarah W. (Fraser) Klapp, was born in what is now Carlisle county, Kentucky, on the 17th of August, 1868. He received a fair common school education. He has continued in manhood to make his home with his parents, and with his father has been and is now interested in farming and milling. Like his father, he is a Democrat in politics, and holds membership in the Methodist church. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Honor and the Fraternal Union. He is an enterprising young man, and is respected by all who know him.

THOMAS McKNIGHT WATKINS.

Thomas McKnight Watkins has passed the fifty-third milestone in life's journey, and, notwithstanding the fact that he began his business career with no capital other than willing hands and noble ambition, he is to-day one of the most prosperous farmers of Hickman county, Kentucky, and is counted among the representative men of his county.

Mr. Watkins was born in Calloway county, Kentucky, September 10, 1850, and is a son of Benjamin and Cinthia A. (Jones) Watkins, both of whom were born and reared in Calloway county. Our subject's paternal grandfather was Pleasant Watkins, and his maternal grandfather was Douglas Jones, the latter coming from North Carolina.

On a farm in Calloway, Thomas McKnight Watkins was reared, and in his youth had scarcely any school advantages. When he was twenty years of age he could hardly do more than read and write his name. When eighteen years of age Mr. Watkins engaged his services to a farmer for the wages of one hundred dollars per year, and when he became twenty years of age he had saved sufficient of his wages to enable him to further educate himself, a thing he much desired to do. He had never attended school, and at the age of twenty years he is found attending his first school. Evenings and mornings and on Saturdays he worked to pay his board. His difficulties were many, but he was determined to overcome them. Diligently he applied himself to his studies in the schoolroom, and at night, all the time busy with his studies. Such was his progress that after nine months of close application to his studies he had sufficiently advanced to secure a teacher's certificate. Securing a school, he taught, and then attended

school at Benton, Kentucky, where he last attended school, completing his education under the able instruction of Professor Hamlin. He continued teaching for about nine or ten years, and then turned his attention entirely to farming, in which he has industriously and prudently conducted his efforts, meeting with commendable success. He owns a good and well improved farm of ninety-three acres, and is today a prosperous farmer.

Meanwhile Mr. Watkins has not been unmindful of character-building. In all his business relations he has dealt justly with his fellow-citizens, whose full confidence and respect he has gained. In politics he is a Democrat, and fraternally he is a Master Mason, and both he and his wife are consistent Christians and are members of the Missionary Baptist church.

In 1876 Mr. Watkins was united in marriage with a most estimable lady, Miss Fannie B. Finch, a daughter of Jarrett and Martha (Robertson) Finch. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Watkins has been brightened and blessed by the birth of the following children: Lena Salone, Ruth Latta, Gordie, Milton M. (deceased), Letcher A., Emma E., Thomas B. and Fannie Vava.

JOSEPH J. GRACE.

Joseph Johnson Grace, who is now serving for the second term as county clerk of Ballard county and makes his home in Wickliffe, is numbered among Kentucky's native sons, his birth having occurred in McCracken county, on the 1st of January, 1857. His parents were Milton Bluford and Aurelia Ann (Cook) Grace, also natives of this state. The father was born in Christian county, and the mother's

birth occurred in Livingston county. She was twice married, her first husband being Edward D. Grace, a brother of her second husband. By her first marriage she had two children, and by the second union eight children were born. The parents of our subject lived successively in McCracken, Graves, Marshall and Ballard counties, and the father devoted his energies to agricultural pursuits. He died in Ballard county in 1876, at the age of fifty-seven years, and his wife passed away in 1899, at the advanced age of seventy-seven years.

The common schools afforded Joseph J. Grace his educational privileges, and he was reared in the usual manner of farmer lads, his time being taken up with his studies and the work of the fields, and presumably some hours of play and recreation were intermingled with the duties which fell to his lot. He remained upon the farm until twenty-five years of age, at which time he decided to leave the plow and enter commercial circles. He embarked in merchandising at Hinkleville, and there continued in business for fifteen years, meeting with fair success in his undertakings. In 1897 he again changed his occupation, being called to public service by election to the office of county clerk. He served so acceptably and faithfully in that capacity that at the end of a four years' term he was re-elected, in 1901, and is the present incumbent. He will have been in the position for eight years when his present term expires, and there has never been a more reliable and capable officer than he.

In Ballard county, on the 18th of February, 1891, Mr. Grace was united in marriage to Miss Ann Thomas Landrum, who was born in Tennessee. They have one son, Herbert Hobson. The parents are consistent and active members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, and in his social relations Mr. Grace is a Master Mason, living a life of

harmony with its teachings. His political allegiance has always been given to the Democracy, and it was upon the ticket of that party that he was elected to the office which he is now so acceptably filling.

JOHN D. PERRYMAN.

John D. Perryman, one of the successful farmers of Hickman county, Kentucky, was born in Sevier county, Tennessee, January 26, 1834. He is the son of Jacob and Nancy (Anderson) Perryman, both of whom were born in Tennessee. The maternal grandfather bore the name of John Anderson, and this is the extent of Mr. Perryman's knowledge of his ancestral history.

Jacob Perryman was a farmer and miller, and made his home in Tennessee, becoming quite successful. In politics he was a Whig, while in religion he was a Baptist, and died at the age of fifty years. His wife survived him some twenty years, dying aged sixty-five years. About 1850 she and her children removed from Tennessee to McCracken county, Kentucky. Five children were born to her, namely: Anna, who died at the age of thirty-five years; William R., who died aged forty-five years; Sarah, who died at the age of ten years; John D.; and James H.

John D. Perryman was a youth when his widowed mother removed to McCracken county, and there he grew to manhood. When a young man he went to Missouri, and there resided and farmed till 1888, when he came to Hickman county. He has always farmed. He began life with limited capital, but by means of industry, enterprise and frugality he became a very prosperous man. He is a Democrat in politics, but has never sought office. For a number of years he has been a Mas-

ter Mason. No citizen of Hickman county is more highly esteemed than he.

In 1864 he was married in Mississippi county, Missouri, to Miss Mary E. Watts, who was born in Union county, Kentucky, January 27, 1845. Her father was Williams Watts, born in England, while her mother was Sarah E. (Thompson) Watts, born in Kentucky. Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Perryman, namely: Harry, who married Ada Bazzell, of Hickman county, Kentucky; Mattie, who married J. B. Simpson.

EDWIN D. WALLER.

Edwin D. Waller, of Fulton, was born in Shelby county, Kentucky, November 17, 1877, and is a son of William E. and Belle (Oliver) Waller. The father was born in Spencer county, Kentucky, in the year 1846; was in early life a teacher, and later a Baptist minister, but he died in early manhood, being about thirty-two years of age at the time of his death. He was a son of Ambrose Waller, also a native of Spencer county, Kentucky. Ambrose was for considerable time a successful merchant of Louisville, Kentucky. He also had large landed possessions in Spencer and Shelby counties, Kentucky. His death occurred in 1902, when he had passed the ninety-second milestone in life's journey. His was a well rounded and useful career, and by all who knew him he was highly respected.

The mother of Edwin D. Waller was born in Shelby county, Kentucky, in the year 1852. Her father, Horrace Oliver, was also a native of Shelby county, Kentucky, and in early life farmed and in later life practiced law. He also served as magistrate, and was esteemed for

his many excellent traits of character. He died in 1862, when about fifty-two years of age. Mrs. Waller now (October, 1903) resides in Fulton, Kentucky. She bore her husband only two children, one daughter and one son, named Willia and Edwin D., respectively.

Edwin D. Waller received a fair education in his native county, and after farming a short time turned his attention to engineering and electricity. For a time he was employed in the operation of an electric light plant at Morganfield, Kentucky. In 1900 Mr. Waller came to Fulton, and has since been superintendent of engines and electrical machinery for the electric light plant of Fulton.

Mr. Waller is a pleasing gentleman in manner, and is a popular young man. Politically he is a stanch Democrat, and he is also a member of the Baptist church.

DON JUAN McALISTER.

Don Juan McAlister, magistrate and farmer, is a representative of the most excellent people of Hickman county. He comes of a family much respected and long established in the Jackson Purchase. His father, Marcus LaFayette McAlister, was born in Hickman county, Kentucky, in the year 1826, and died here in 1872, at the age of forty-six years. In 1852 he married Mary A. Hicks, who was born in Jessamine county, Kentucky, in the year 1832, and is still living in Hickman county. Her father, John Hicks, also was born in Jessamine county, Kentucky, whence he removed to Hickman county, where he prospered as a farmer and lived many years, and died in 1896, at the advanced age of eighty-eight years, respected by all who knew him. He reared a family of nineteen children, of whom eight are still living.

To Mark (or Marcus) and Mary A. McAlister were born the following children: Margaret, who died aged nine years; Cordelia, wife of C. C. Byrd, a farmer of Hickman county; John W., now residing in Arkansas; Samuel A., one of Hickman county's farmers; James F., also a Hickman county farmer; Laura L., the wife of J. E. Wheeler, a farmer and resident of Arkansas; Lou L., a farmer of Hickman county and a twin brother of our subject, Don J.; and Thomas H., the youngest, is also a farmer of Hickman county.

Don J. McAlister was born in Hickman county, Kentucky, March 12, 1867. He was reared on the farm and educated in the country schools and at Marvin College, at Clinton, Kentucky. When he left college he engaged, in 1890, in school teaching, but two years later he took up farming, in which he has since been successfully engaged. He is a Democrat, and was elected to the office of magistrate in November, 1902. Both he and his wife are members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

In 1890, Mr. McAlister married Miss Emma E. Burrow, a daughter of Jacob T. and Melvina A. (Woodall) Burrow, the father now deceased, and the mother yet living. These parents were born in Carroll county, Tennessee, whence they removed to Dwyer county, Tennessee, and then to Hickman county, Kentucky, about 1878. In the latter county the father died in 1897, aged about sixty-five years. They had the following children: Alvin, Emmerson, William, Ida, Lucy, Charles W., Maggie, Emma E., Ernest and Lydia. Of them the following are deceased: Ida, Maggie and Lydia.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. McAlister has been brightened by the birth of three children, namely: Cecil, Emmett and Jodie.

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